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Yamani: Output will be reviewed

KUWAIT, Dec. 8 (AP) — Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani said Monday Saudi Arabia will consider its output level on a month-by-month basis next year.

Sheikh Yamani made his remarks to reporters at the start of a two-day conference of nine Arab oil producing countries here.

Saudi Arabia boosted its daily production from 9.5 million barrels a day to 10.5 million barrels a day in October to make for the loss of about four million barrels a day as a result of the 78-day-old Iran-Iraq war.

"We will reconsider this at the end of this month (December)," Sheikh Yamani said, adding the policy would thereafter be reviewed on monthly basis.

The Saudi Arabia decision follows Iraq's resumption of oil shipments through pipelines to the Mediterranean via Syria and Turkey which total about 800,000 barrels a day — about one-quarter of Iraq's pre-war exports of 3.2 million barrels daily.

Iraq is also estimated to be pumping about 100,000 barrels a day through Gulf terminals at Lavan Island and Kharg Island.

The two-day OPEC conference will discuss ways of combating the "indifference" of Western oil producers to the supply shortfall resulting from the war. It was the first meeting of the Arab oil ministers who make up OPEC since the outbreak of the Gulf war last September.

Attending were Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, Libya, Algeria and Syria. With the exception of Syria and Bahrain, all members of OPEC double as members of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). OPEC normally handles issues of oil pricing and production levels, which OPEC does not deal with.

But the Kuwaiti meeting was expected to evolve a series of informal meetings of Arab members of OPEC to discuss price and production problems before going to Bali, Indonesia, for the regular OPEC ministerial meeting Dec. 1.

As the OPEC conference got under way, the organization secretariat revealed an agenda including discussions of progress reports on the projected Arab Engineering Company, the convening of an Arab energy conference, and a review of a number of technical reports.

The conference also was expected to discuss ways of averting the adverse impact of the Gulf war on solidarity among OPEC member countries, the source said.

Oil centers blasted

Iran warned of coup

BEIRUT, Dec. 8 (AP) — A parliament member warned Monday that a coup d'etat was "in process" to overthrow the revolutionary regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in Iran.

"The people of Iran must know that a dangerous coup d'etat is in process to destroy this regime," Ali Agha Mohammad, the deputy from Iran's central city of Hamadan, told the Majlis (parliament) at an open session in Tehran.

He did not spell out any details about the alleged coup in the speech that was broadcast by Tehran radio and monitored in Beirut. But he indicated counter-revolutionaries might be capitalizing on the current power struggle between Iran's moderate bureaucrats of President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr and clergy-led radicals represented by prime minister Muhammad Ali Rajai.

The MP called on the people, the army and parliament members to keep off any divisive arguments "until the situation improves, and then all will talk together."

Ayatollah Khomeini has called for national unity in his speech warning both Bani-Sadr and Rajai that efforts by one side to remove the other were tantamount to "attempts to establish a dictatorial state."

Khomeini issued repeated calls for national unity as Bani-Sadr exchanged public attacks with radicals led by Islamic revolutionary party leader Ayatollah Muhammad Ali Behchahi, Rajai's patron who commands the Majlis majority.

Earlier in the Majlis session, Rajai called on the parliament's "supervisory commission" to draw the constitutional line between the president's and the prime minister's powers.

Rajai said he was not complaining, but I am uncertain what to do if the president interferes in the executive affairs of the government," according to Tehran radio.

Meanwhile, on the front of Iran and Iraq blasted each other's oil nerve centers with heavy artillery and helicopter gunships Monday as troops and tanks battled around the four major cities of Iran's main oil province of Khuzestan, war communiques reported.

Iraqi command said in a communique broadcast by Baghdad radio waves of rocket-firing helicopter gunships blasted Abadan anew Monday, following similar raids that set pipelines and a huge fuel storage tank ablaze on Sunday.

The Iraqi communique claimed 35 Iranians were killed in the latest attacks on Abadan and said Iranian helicopter gunships rocketed the highway between Iraq's southern port city of Basra and the main Iraqi Gulf oil terminal of Fao, killing nine civilian passengers and wounding four in three privately-owned cars that were all burned.

Iraq said Abadan's long-range artillery "raided shells" on Fao for the third straight day and Iraq claimed its gunboats sank an Iranian navy vessel off Fao at the mouth of the 193-kilometer Shatt Al-Arab.

Both Iraq and Iran reported paratroop battles at the northern sector of the 483 kilometers front at the highlands of Qasr-e-Shirin, Sar-e-Pol-e-Zahab and Qilan Garb. The three towns in the foothills of the Zagros mountain range command the main highways from Iran's invaded western border to Baghdad, 160 kilometers away.

Iranian news agency Pars reported Monday that fighting with fierce hand to hand combat in several places continued all along the 500-kilometer front. A series of military communiques quoted by Pars claimed a total of 75 Iraqi soldiers were killed and 15 were wounded in various clashes. The only Iranian casualties reported by Pars were four killed and 41 wounded on the Abadan front.

Pars said the Iraqis continued to direct sporadic fire against the besieged oil-refining center as "fierce fighting" also raged around the strategic Iranian-held bridge linking the Iraqi occupied town of Khorramshahr with the island on which Abadan is located.

Archbishop robbed in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Dec. 8 (AP) — Two armed men got away with an estimated one million dollars in cash, jewelry and religious icons after beating and robbing an Armenian archbishop in the old city, police said Monday.

Archbishop Shabe Ajamian was awakened about 3 a.m. Sunday by the noise made by the two robbers in his residence in the old city's Armenian quarter, George Hntian, secretary of the Armenian Orthodox Patriarchate, said.

The two thieves, each armed with two pistols and knives, struck the archbishop and bound him before escaping with a hoard of cash, medallions, necklaces, icons and a large gold cross, Hntian said. The robbery was not revealed until a day after it took place.

"At first we estimated it at a half-million dollars, but then we upgraded it to a million dollars," Hntian said in a telephone interview. Press reports said the loot included \$20,000 cash.

Armenian merchants donate generously in the upkeep of the Armenian churches, schools and convents and send their sons to march in gray-uniformed religious processions for church festivities.

The archbishop, who was not seriously hurt, freed himself about 5 a.m. Sunday and alerted police, but by then the thieves probably had been gone for an hour, likely helped by a third accomplice waiting in a getaway car.

At Sauditech '80

Businessmen urged to boost investments

AL KHOBAR, Dec. 8 — A government official Monday called on delegates of more than 400 companies at Sauditech '80 exhibition to double investment efforts and make use of government incentives.

Deputy Minister of Industry and Electricity, Yusuf Al Hammad speaking on behalf of Dr. Ghazi Algosaihi, was addressing a two-day seminar of businessmen at Algosaihi Hotel and Exhibition Center here, one day after the formal opening of Sauditech '80.

He thanked Thama and Middle East and Trade Exhibition of London for organizing the industrial fair.

Thama director general Sheikh Muhammad Said Tayeb said it was important for the Saudi Arabian business community to be aware of the latest available technology. He commended the efforts made by Dr. Algosaihi and Hamdan in making the exhibition a success.

A seminar on the training of skilled man-

power in the Kingdom was held at the Algosaihi Hotel here. It was chaired by Dr. Abdul Rahman Al Zamel, deputy governor of the General Organization for Electricity, and included leading Saudi Arabian officials.

One of the speakers Abdul Aziz Al Zamel, vice-president of the Saudi Basic Industries Corporation, SABIC, said the government was very concerned about industrialization and was doing its best to encourage the private sector to invest in industry. Sheikh Tayeb and other senior officials of Thama also took part in the discussions.

Major national companies, including SABIC, Saudi metal, and Saudichem, are taking part in the exhibition. Many are seeking foreign firms as partners to participate in joint ventures.

Dr. R. Roberts, chairman of the International Technology Group, U.K. Board of Trade also said that joint ventures are answer to the problem of technology transfer.

Asserting that such ventures will actually stimulate indigenous skills, Dr. Roberts cited the example of Unilever in India which adopted development modification to use local materials and financing.

Stability, he told Arab News, was essential for the long-term exercise which joint ventures can represent. He stressed the importance of technology transfer for the U.K. which annually exports £600 million worth of know-how.

The formation of an institute for technology transfer to act as a clearing-house to decide what sort of technology is required is presently under discussion between the EEC and Arab countries. Roberts, who heads the task force assigned this job, said that the ground rule and profile of the project have already been established.

Another speaker at the two day conference was Mr. Ron L'Hommiedieu, Project Director of Yanbu Industrial Township, who commented on the development of Yanbu in the context of the Western Region.

The design for the town which will house 135,000 by the year 2,000 has been completed and construction of a permanent infrastructure is starting. A training facility as Yanbu where the present work force numbers 13,000 will be finished in July with the completion of the permanent facility scheduled 18 months from now.

Jordan receives \$92m from Iraq

BEIRUT, Dec. 8 (AP) — Iraq has paid Jordan the sum of \$92 million on Sunday to make up for the failure of Libya and Algeria to honor their shares of pan-Arab aid to Jordan, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

The announcement appeared aimed at showing Iraq in sound financial position despite the heavy losses sustained in the 77-day-old war with Iran, estimated at \$100 million a day in suspended oil exports.

Jordan is Iraq's most outspoken Arab supporter. Libya and Algeria sympathize with Iran against Iraq and were reported to have stopped paying the aid to Jordan after the outbreak of the Gulf war.

The agency said other oil producing states agreed to meet the deficit caused by the Libyan and Algerian aid interruption. Sunday's payment represented Iraq's share to date to offset the debt, the agency added.

The Arab countries resolved at a summit conference held in Baghdad, Iraq in 1978 to pay two billion to Syria, \$1.25 billion to Jordan and \$250 million to the Palestine Liberation Organization yearly for 10 years to strengthen their defenses against Israel. Iraq had been reliably reported to be paying its share of aid.

Oil Exports to Increase
Meanwhile, Iraq hopes to raise its exports of crude oil through pipelines to Turkey, Syria and Lebanon to two million barrels per day within three months, Iraqi Oil Minister Tayeh Abdul-Karim said Monday.

Exports through the pipelines are now running at more than one million bpd. Iraqi exports of about 3.7 million bpd stopped when the Gulf War broke out late in September but pumping to the Mediterranean was resumed last month.

Abdul-Karim also told reporters that Iranian Oil Minister Mohammad Aved Tongdugyan, captured by the Iraqis in the war would not be released until the Gulf war ends. Abdul-Karim added he would not permit the minister's case to be raised when OPEC oil ministers meet in Bali, Indonesia, next Monday.

Iraq has said it will raise the question. Abdul-Karim told reporters at a meeting here of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) that "as long as the war continues he will still be a prisoner of war, like any other soldiers or pilots from the Iraqi side or the Iranian side."



WELCOMED: Crown Prince Fahd who arrived in Islamabad Monday was received and embraced by President Zia ul Haq. The crown prince's visit to Pakistan lasts for two days.

Pakistan welcomes Crown Prince Islamic strategy in Fahd-Zia talks

By Shahid Orakzai
Special Correspondent

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 8 — Crown Prince Fahd went into talks soon after arrival here with President Zia ul Haq. The meeting was attended by Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal, Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Agha Al Khalil, Ambassador Ibrahim Al Angari here and Pakistan's Foreign Minister Agha Shahi.

The Crown Prince flew into the Pakistani capital to a memorable welcome Monday afternoon on an official visit which aims at welding bilateral relations.

President Zia embraced the royal guest as he alighted from a Saudi jumbo 747 leading a 59-member high level delegation. A 19-gun salute and colorful balloons announced his arrival to thousands of people who had converged at the bedecked airport and five kilometers route, to the state guest house in Rawalpindi. People dancing atop buses and other vehicles began pouring into the capital from suburbs and even from districts to greet the guest.

The airport terminal was decorated with bunting, streamers and banners as hundreds of boy scouts welcomed the prince with slogans "long live prince Fahd" — "long live pak-Saudi friendship."

Hundreds of others waved miniatures of the two countries as school girls lining the red carpet showered petals on a cheerful prince.

Two children in traditional costumes presented bouquet and received an affectionate pat from the smiling Saudi leader.

Foreign Minister Agha Shahi told pressmen that Pakistanis are proud of this historical visit. He said that talks between the prince and President Zia will deal with issues of

interest to the Islamic world, including Jerusalem and the Zionists' expansionist policy in the Arab territories. The two leaders will also take up the Iraqi-Iranian war and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. But he said that the talks are part of a regular process of consultations between the two countries.

Shahi said that the visit will lay the groundwork of a solid, united Islamic strategy, adding that the forthcoming Islamic summit conference in Taif might succeed in framing such a strategy for Jerusalem and the Palestinian problem. He stressed that, transcending present differences, Muslims should close their ranks to resolve the Jerusalem problem. He also hoped that the war between Iraq and Iran will end as soon as possible, for the good of both parties as well as the whole area and the Muslim world. The minister said the two countries are wasting their blood and weakening themselves.

Shahi pointed out that the goodwill mission of President Zia, the current chairman of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and OIC Secretary General Hameed Chhatti, to settle the conflict is continuing. He hoped that the mission will lead to an equitable and peaceful solution acceptable to both parties. He added that an OIC delegation will visit Baghdad and Tehran before the summit.

Meanwhile, the Pakistani press Monday highlighted the visit, its outcome, and the impact it will have on bilateral relations. It dwelt on the leading role played by Saudi Arabia in promoting Islamic causes and looking after the welfare of Muslims.

The Pakistan Times said that the visit is of great political significance and it hailed Saudi Arabia's role in promoting Islamic solidarity and healing the rifts among Muslims.



SAUDITECH '80: Organizers and government official at the opening of Sauditech '80 being held at Algosaihi Hotel and Exhibition Center. From left are: Nasser Nayar, director of Middle East Trade and Exhibitions; Sheikh Muhammad Said Tayeb, director general of Thama; Sheikh Said Al Munsagel, president of Damman Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Hassan Bahawri, Thama director of public relations; Youssef Al Hammad, deputy minister of electricity and industry and deputy minister of electricity and industry; and Mounir Tadros, general manager of the hotel.

Israelis repress students

TEL AVIV, Dec. 8 (AFP) — Israeli occupation forces harshly repressed Arab student demonstrations in Bethlehem Monday, entering the campus for the first time and hounding tear gas at buildings. The students in the occupied West Bank town had reportedly thrown stones at Israeli military vehicles. Israeli radio said that the army had turned all newsmen away from the area, even those working for state radio and television.

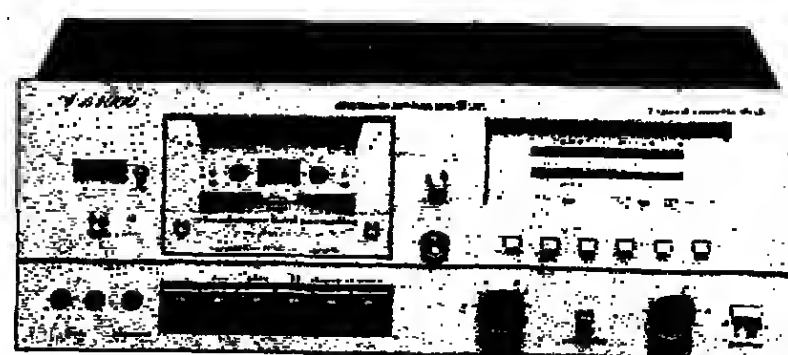
Sunday Israeli troops dispersed demonstrations by Palestinian pupils protesting in the

occupied West Bank area against the deportation of two local mayors. The Israeli military government had banned a meeting in Hebron Town Hall and troops turned back people trying to attend.

But there were disturbances in Hebron as well as in Nablus, Bethlehem and Jericho, as soldiers dispersed demonstrating school pupils.

In Jerusalem an explosion set fire to a car in Monday morning injuring five persons, one of them seriously.

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Iraq has no designs in Iran--envoy

JEDDAH, Dec. 8 (SPA) — The Iraqi ambassador to Saudi Arabia said Monday that Iraq has no ambitions in Iran, and all it wants to do is recover the land and waters taken from it and lay the foundations for new relations with Iran.

Ambassador Shafiq Hammoud Al-Deraji told a press conference that his country's response to mediation for ending the war was a positive and flexible action. "Iraq has left the door open for such initiatives to spare the two countries any further harm, especially since both are neighbors and their interest lies in solving the problems," he added.

Deraji recalled that Iraq had already applied a unilateral ceasefire, adding that mediators did not feel that Iran welcomed their initiatives, but according to their statements their might be a ray of hope to encourage them to continue their efforts.

The ambassador also said the Iraqi army had now applied a pincer movement on and besieged the Iranian forces in Abadan; and it



CONFERENCE: Iraqi ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Shafiq Hammoud Al-Deraji, speaks to local reporters during a press conference in Jeddah.

is not logical after all this that the Iraqi army wages new attacks. The Iraqi army has achieved its target of deep penetration in Iran to protect its own military sectors. He affirmed that Khorramshahr (Al-Muhammarah) was almost completely under Iraqi army control and that the war will result in "new rights."

Deraji criticized what he called the biased information media for exaggerating the damage sustained by Iraqi economic installations during the war. He said that damage in fact was minimal and everything could be repaired in a short period. The whole reconstruction process in Iraq in fact, would take

little time, he added. The ambassador said that his country was pumping 650,000 barrels of oil a day through Turkey. Also, damage at the Iraqi nuclear reactor is minor. Most casualties occurred at the housing complex for experts, away from the reactor itself and its important components. The reactor is safe, the ambassador said.

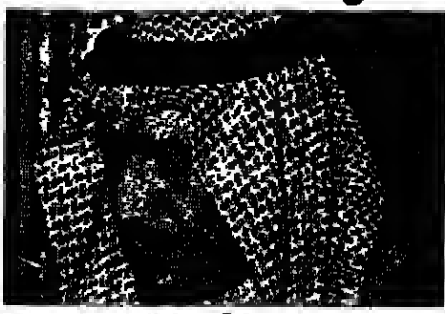
He reaffirmed his country's support to the Palestine Liberation Organization, saying that Iraq cannot take a negative attitude towards the PLO. He also said that the 11th Arab Summit held in Amman, by assembling the Arabs, had had good results in a climate of full comprehension.

Landscape contract signed

Committee for embassy transfer meets

RIYADH, Dec. 8 (SPA) — The Higher Executive Committee for the Transfer of the Foreign Ministry and Embassy District to Riyadh signed a contract Sunday evening for the landscape design in the new district. The committee was meeting under its chairman Prince Salman, the governor of Riyadh.

The committee also approved the allotment of land plots for the Gulf Postal Organization, the regional bureau of the Middle East Committee for the handicapped, the Arab Town Planning Institute, and the Arab Education Bureau for Gulf States. It was



Prince Salman

shown plans and designs for some embassies. Dr. Muhammad Al-Sheikh, director of the project, said that Prince Salman will sign land ownership and leasing contracts with some of the embassies that had applied for this purpose.

Foreign Undersecretary, Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Thanyan, briefed the committee on progress regarding the transfer of the foreign ministry headquarters and told it that the new building will be ready by 1983 as scheduled.

The committee also discussed the security of the new district and the invitation of Saudi and foreign firms to bid for the construction of a plant nursery.

Jazaeri goes to Kuwait

RIYADH, Dec. 8 (SPA) — Health Minister Dr. Hussein Jazaeri left for Kuwait Monday to attend meetings of the Arab Advisory Council on Medical Specializations. The minister will attend the conference in his capacity as chairman of the Higher Committee for Medical Specializations.

The meeting will discuss a wide span of issues in connection with rare medical specializations that the council is concerned with. One of the objectives sought by holding this meeting is to evaluate and cater for the needs of the Arab world in terms of health services.

Telephone payment period nears end

RIYADH, Dec. 8 — Telephone subscribers should note that the distribution of telephone bills is nearing completion for the current billing period, announced Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, Minister of PTT.

Subscribers in almost all distributors of the Kingdom should note that they will have an extra week in which to pay their bills. With

the exception of Riyadh district, all Saudi Telephone subscribers will have until December 20 (Safar 27) to pay — one week longer than the December 13 (Safar 20) date printed on their bills as the maturity date. This extension to December 20 is being granted due to some delays in the initial distribution of the bills.

Riyadh, District, however, has not encountered any delays in sending out invoices.

Riyadh District will keep the date listed on the bill (maturity date). Subscribers in Riyadh District, therefore should pay their bills before December 13 (Safar 20) and avoid the inconvenience of a temporary disconnection until the bill is paid. In addition, a "late payment charge" of SR 20 is added to the subscriber's next bill.

COMMENT

By Saleh Muhammad Al-Jamal

I have read somewhere that the desalination plant for Mecca may take five years to complete because this project will require a great deal of study. I think the time limit is too long and there should be no serious obstacle to constructing the plant because of the proximity of the city to the sea and the urgent need for drinking water here. The rising population and the ever-increasing number of pilgrims during the season require the plant. Demand has raised the price of water to SR50 per ton in the offseason and to SR80 per ton in season — the pilgrimage. Elsewhere consumers are paying a quarter of a riyal for the same quantity. So why this unnecessary delay when the distance between the sea and the city does not exceed 100 kilometers. We have seen bigger projects planned and carried out quickly and adequately.

And by the way, what are the plans of the Ministry of Agriculture and Water for Wadi Fatima near Mecca now that Jeddah doesn't need the wadi's water — especially since the city gets all that it needs from its own desalination plants. The pumping water to Jeddah resulted in a serious neglect of agriculture in the valley because of the shortage of water for farming. I hope the ministry will pay some attention to this valley in order to encourage the farmers to return to the land.

Another matter that has attracted my attention and astonishment is that an increasing number of medium-sized public employees have acquired the habit of appointing office managers to keep them away from the people thus avoiding direct contact with those who want to see them and seek their services.

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Firm marketing Arabic computer

By Farouk Luqman

JEDDAH, Dec. 8 — Following the report in this newspaper on research by Saudi Arabian scientists into the development of an Arabic-speaking computer, a financier has pointed out that he is already marketing such a product.

Sami Abu Zinadah said he had financed a British company which manufactured an Arabic computer, and several institutions in the Kingdom were already using the system. In an interview with Arab News last week,

Dr. Abdullah Dabbagh, director of the Research Institute at the University of Petroleum and Minerals in Dammam, said he expected Arabic computers to be produced inside the Kingdom within two years. He added that researchers have worked out the encoding of Arabic and have adapted the machines to the Arabic direction of writing (from right to left).

The idea of using an Arabic computer is catching on, according to Nabil Lashine, sales manager of Sami Abu Zinadah electronics company. He has already sold the machine to the Jeddah Medical Center, Batterjee Pharmacies, El Ajou, the Saudi Technical Experience House, Abdul Aziz University Geology Department and the Kandara Hotel. The hotel uses the computer to prepare bills in both Arabic and English. All other hotels will soon have to follow suit in accordance with official instructions that bills should be in both languages.

Sami said he hoped to supply a full computer system to the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce and Industry to store and retrieve information requested by the business community. "This will be done early next year, and will cover a wide range of economic and business data," he said.

The Kandara Hotel's technical director, Brian Fox, said it was possible with the new computer to transmit information from the cafeteria to the accounts department in seconds so that a guest checking out immediately after breakfast will have his bill completed. The data is transmitted from a visual display unit to the main terminal just like all other bills for services, including long distance telephone calls, Fox said.

Fox claimed that the British company was the first to develop a Latin-Arabic script computer. The visual display unit in Arabic was not a real problem, he said, and it was worked out three years ago by the microprocessor, making controlled printers possible.



MALAYSIAN VISIT: Mecca Governor Prince Majed received Capt. Abdul Khaled Muhammad Said, commander of the Malaysian warship paying a courtesy visit to Jeddah.

BRIEFS

Commerce officials meet
 RIYADH, Dec. 8 (SPA) — Meetings of the Council of Chambers of Commerce opened Monday at the Riyadh chamber under Sheikh Ismail Abu Dawood. High on the agenda of the two-day session is the allocation, by chambers having substantial resources, of part of their revenue to less fortunate chambers. Documents on sales training and the development of corporate law as well as measures to halt the exaggerated increase in applications for commercial registers will also be discussed.

Custom's course opens
 RIYADH, Dec. 8 (SPA) — A three-week training course on customs training and security opened here Monday at Riyadh's Customs Department. The course is organized by the Arab Center for Security Studies and Training whose establishment here had cost SR430 million. A spokesman for the center

said that a subsidiary data bank will be set up and exhibitions will be organized by the center in the near future.

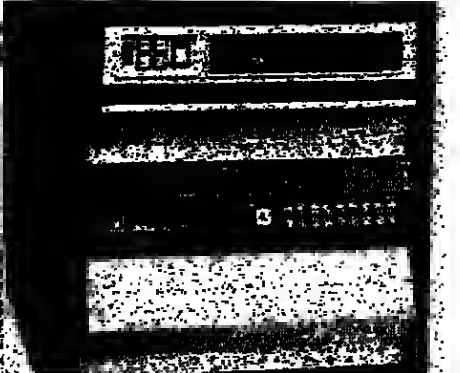
Burundi credentials presented
 JEDDAH, Dec. 8 (SPA) — Burundi's non resident ambassador, Julian Nabio, Monday submitted a copy of his letters of credentials to Sheikh Salem Sunhul, the head of the Foreign Ministry's Protocol Department, prior to their presentation to King Khaled.

Education problems faced
 AL-MUJAMMAA, Dec. 8 (SPA) — School principals of Sudair region will open a four-day meeting at the Education Directorate here Wednesday to ponder education problems in their respective establishments and the way to remove obstacles and promote the students' standards.

Koran schools receive funds

DAMMAM, Dec. 8 (SPA) — Dammam Welfare Society has given SR32,000 to four Koran memorization centers in the Eastern Province to foster their educational activities. It also contributed SR2,123,216 towards the construction, renovation, air-conditioning and furnishing of 11 mosques, Mastour ibn Ali, secretary general of the society said Monday.

The society also gave SR5,751,582 aid to the victims and families of the blind. Together with Al-Sadr hospital in Dammam, the society is carrying out an integrated program of financial assistance to hospitalized patients of all nationalities. Patients thus received salaries totalling SR426,583.



SPACE AGE: Modern computers and computer accessories are now being used by several firms in Saudi Arabia to help them meet the needs of their business. The computer function in English and Arabic.

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Somalis urged to join army

Ethiopia, Kenya planning to invade Somalia, Barre says

MOGADISHU, Dec. 8 (Agencies) — Somalia's rulers have called on all Somalis to be ready to join the armed forces in the event of an attack on their country. Somali President Muhammad Siad Barre said Sunday Ethiopia and Kenya are planning to invade Somalia.

An emergency meeting Sunday night of the ruling Supreme Revolutionary Council, the Central Committee of the Somali Revolutionary Socialist Party, the People's Assembly and the cabinet resolved to mobilize all the nation's resources for national defense, the official Somali news agency said.

The country's ruling bodies "urged the Somali people, wherever they are, to be ready to defend their motherland and to join ranks with the armed forces whenever they are summoned."

The sudden flurry of emergency meetings and official forebodings of war responds to a joint communiqué issued at the end of a state visit to Kenya last week by Ethiopian Head of State Mengistu Haile Mariam which called on Somalia to renounce publicly any claims to the territory of its neighbors — Ethiopia, Kenya and Djibouti.

In the joint statement Mengistu and Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi pledged coordinated activities to combat what they called "Somalia's expansionism." That statement followed a denial from President Barre last weekend that his country had territorial ambitions in Kenya.

The Somali statement called on Ethiopian and Kenya to recant what it termed "their unscrupulous and unrealistic statements."

"Abyssinia (Ethiopia) is hiding her colonial nature and attitudes from the world for fulfilling the strategic interests of her unholy allies. But what is really surprising is how easily Kenya fell prey to Abyssinian intrigues and subsequently created unwarranted instability and chaos in her country, and at the same time invited the enmity of the Somali government and people which hitherto had not existed," it said.

In Nairobi, Kenyan newspapers attacked the Somali leaders for whipping "their population into war hysteria." The *Daily Nation* said in an editorial: "Somalia must be reminded yet again that it is the sole source of conflict in the region. It is Somalia which has seen fit to outfit Shifa (armed groups) to operate in Kenya since 1963."



President Siad Barre

U.K. Liberals form council on Mideast

London Bureau

LONDON, Dec. 8 — The British Liberal Party has announced the formation of a Liberal Middle East Council, only two weeks after the publication of a controversial "Middle East Report" by five prominent members of the party. The report called for the establishment of a sovereign Palestinian state.

The council's stated aims are to encourage support within the Liberal Party for a just and peaceful settlement in the Middle East in line with the resolutions of the United Nations, the European Community and with particular reference to the guidelines set out in the "Middle East Report."

The report called for a Palestinian sovereign state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip linked by something similar to the "Berlin corridor." It advocated a Geneva-style conference to be held late next year, including the PLO, the U.S. and the USSR.

According to the new council's chairman, Roger Sibley, the council's 30 members are in agreement with the findings of the recent Liberal delegation to the Middle East as they were expressed unanimously in the "Middle East Report." Party leader David Steel was among the five-man delegation which met heads of government in Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, representatives of both government and opposition in Israel, and the PLO's Chairman Yasser Arafat.

Sibley believes the council will be a particularly valuable vehicle for discussion of Middle Eastern issues with other Liberals in Europe. He is also hopeful that it will turn the greater support for the Liberal Party in Europe will be instrumental in influencing the British government's Middle Eastern policy.

The Liberals are also keen to establish close links with the Republican Party in the United States over the Middle East Report. "Mr. Reagan has a strong enough majority in the United States not to be pressurized by the Jewish lobby," commented Sibley.

Turkey junta seen set for long stay

ANKARA, Dec. 8 (OFNS) — After three months in power, Turkey's ruling generals look set for a long stay. They are unlikely to take the first steps toward restoring democratic rule before next spring, according to sources close to the military government.

As one observer puts it: "The generals have their program — but they have no deadlines." Their program is to smash the terrorist gangs of Right and Left who murdered more than 5,000 people in two years and brought the country close to civil war until the army's intervention on Sept. 12.

But the generals are not impervious to external pressures. They are uneasy about the reactions of the OECD aid-to-Turkey consortium, which is expected to meet next April to work out its program for 1981. Some of the donor countries — the Scandinavians, for example, — may be unwilling to repeat their former munificence if by that time Turkey is not on the road back to constitutional government.

Last year the OECD "club" pledged Turkey \$ 1.16 billion in aid, though some of this has not yet been disbursed. Without renewal of OECD credits, the sickly Turkish economy could run into serious trouble.

Two other dates are engraved in the generals' minds: April 23 is the anniversary of the inauguration in 1920 of the Turkish Grand National Assembly, an occasion which is celebrated as a national holiday and a day of rededication to the principles of democracy.

More important, however, is May 19, 1981, the centenary of the birth of Kemal Ataturk, the founder of the modern Turkish republic. The military regime is planning a lavish celebration — and hopes the world will pay respect to Ataturk's greatness.

According to well-placed sources, the coincidence of the OECD meeting and the two anniversaries is greatly influencing the thinking of the generals, and a constituent assembly charged with the task of preparing a new democratic constitution will come into being around that time.

The military regime still enjoys the support of the people, who by last September had become disillusioned and exasperated with all politicians. The Turks now feel the smacks of firm government, but it is fair government. In the suppression of right- and left-wing terrorist gangs, the army is being impeccably even-handed. And the daily killing of innocent citizens by ideological gunmen has almost stopped.

But the honeymoon cannot go on indefinitely. As the terrorist threat recedes, the people are beginning to grumble about the economic problems still engulfing the country. Sweeping tax reforms are about to be promulgated. Although they will benefit the poor, they are bound to alienate powerful sectors of the community.

Badran, Turkish minister discuss M.E., bilateral ties

AMMAN, Dec. 8 (Agencies) — Jordanian Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Turkish Foreign Minister Walter Turkmen Sunday discussed the Middle East situation and bilateral relations, officials said.

Turkmen arrived in Amman Saturday night for a two-day official visit and met Foreign Minister Marwan Al-Qassem before calling on Badran Sunday.

The officials said Badran briefed Turkmen on Jordan's position on the Arab-Israeli dispute and on Israel's violations of human rights in the occupied territories. They said Badran expressed the hope that the Turkish government would take an Islamic attitude

on Jerusalem. Turkey has opposed Israel's annexation of occupied East Jerusalem.

Badran and Turkmen also reviewed bilateral relations and means boosting cooperation between their two countries, the officials said.

The minister's visit is being described as a new step toward boosting Turkish-Arab relations. He has already conferred with Saudi, Iraqi and Egyptian ministers.

Turkey downgraded diplomatic relations with Israel last week after Israel annexed Arab Jerusalem in August and declared it the capital of Israel. Turkey closed its embassy in Jerusalem in August.

Two killed, 89 injured

Strong tremor hits Algeria

ALGIERS, Dec. 8 (AP) — Two persons were killed and 89 injured in a strong after-shock that struck the earthquake devastated region near Al Asnam, officials reported Monday.

The epicenter of Sunday's tremor was near the town of Harensa, about 30 kilometers west of Al Asnam, and registered 5.6 on the Richter scale.

On Oct. 10, an earthquake registering 7.5 on the Richter scale devastated the town of

Al Asnam, 150 kilometers east of Algiers, destroying 80 per cent of the city's buildings and killing more than 3,000 persons.

The two deaths and 16 of the injuries were reported in Harensa. Sixty-four other people were injured in nearby Boukadir.

Rescue teams pulled two survivors from the wreckage of a building in Boukadir and were working to extract two others with whom they were in contact, officials said.

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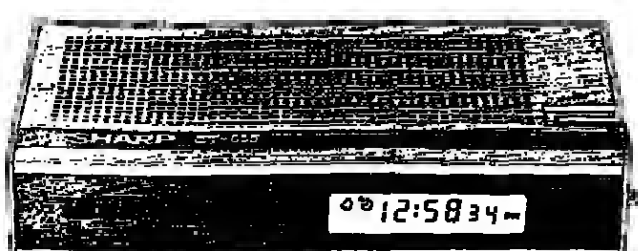
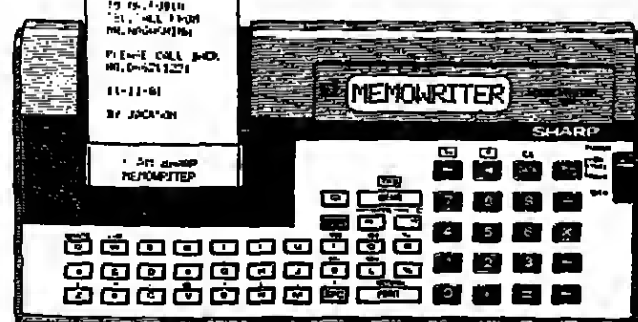
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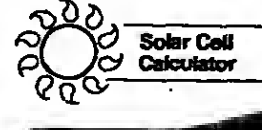
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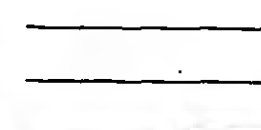
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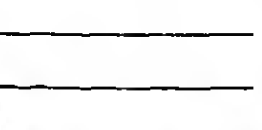
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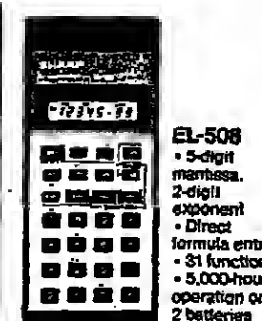
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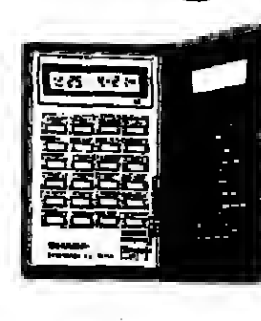
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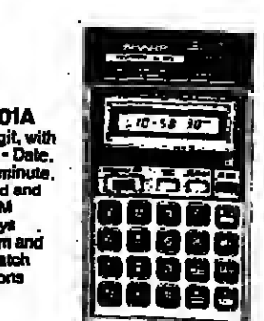
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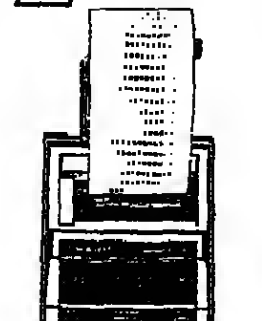
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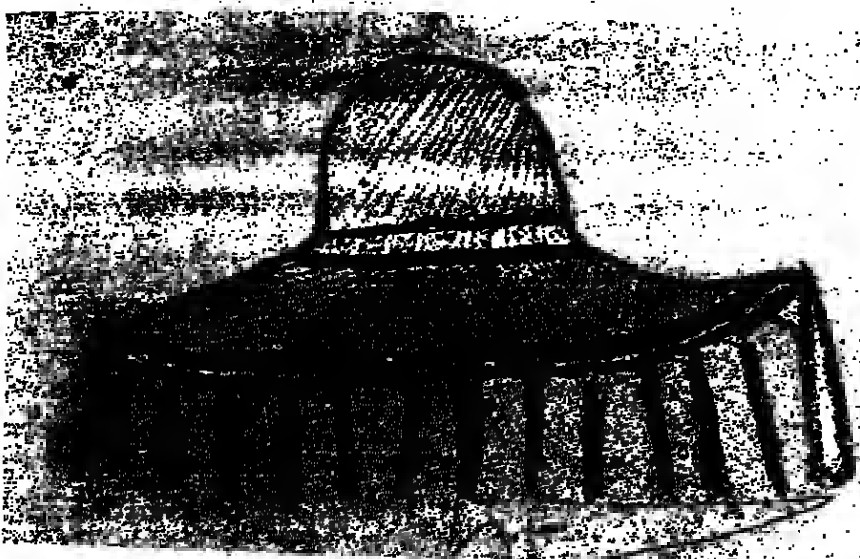


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As British lease runs out

Hong Kong set for Chinese takeaway

By Bob Chesnyre

HONG KONG, (ONS) — Hong Kong, the world's most pragmatic society, is devoting some of its massive energies to coming to terms with China. For in fewer than 17 years, the lease will run out on the rabidly capitalist British colony and rule will revert to its monolithic Communist neighbor.

Hong Kong believes it will prove essential to China to maintain the colony in basically its present form, but it is taking no chances. A great deal of bridge-building is going on to ensure that Peking gets the message. As part of this effort, cultural ties between the two unequal partners are being strengthened.

I was present this month at the first official performance by a Chinese cultural group in Hong Kong since the Communist takeover of China in 1949. The Chinese had sent the magnificent Peking Opera Second Company ("Second" in name rather than standing) to take part in the fifth Hong Kong Festival of Asian Arts. They provided a stunning highlight to the most important cultural jamboree of its kind in Asia.

By day, the Mao-suited company could have been fraternal delegates from a motor factory, but by night they were transformed into the most stunning creatures it could be possible to imagine on any stage — gods, demons and monsters dressed in scarlet, gold,

purple and hine silks, with jewelled and feather headdresses.

The Hong Kong audience was enraptured, and one felt the symbolic power of centuries of Chinese tradition on a community that has really only been created in its present form for 30 years. Hong Kong Urban Council — the body in the colony to include any elected representatives — spent a million dollars on the Asian Arts Festival, attracting major companies from 13 countries.

The invited groups play not only before paying audience but also at 'free' venues in an attempt to justify the spending of public money on culture when so much needs to be done to improve the physical quality of life.

I attended a concert given by the Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra in one of the teeming tenement areas of Kowloon. The square in which they performed was surrounded by blocks of desperately overcrowded flats. Several thousand people had descended to the square and others hung out of windows.

Ironically, many of the players in the orchestra started life in Hong Kong as illegal immigrants (Ils), who fled to the colony during the Cultural Revolution. They are now booted members of the community, supported by public funds, at the moment when further Ils have been outlawed, and extreme penalties imposed against their employment

in any guise.

The money spent on the festival is only a tiny proportion of the total cultural budget of the Urban Council. It has, for instance, just completed a space museum on the Kowloon waterfront at a cost of \$15 million.

I asked the chairman of the Urban Council, Mr. A. de O. Sales, how a society like Hong Kong, with scant social welfare and appalling housing problems, could justify such expenditure.

Even in Hong Kong, he replied, man should not be presumed to live by bread alone, suggesting that where the government is not elected, as it is not in Hong Kong, it has to be socially more accountable than an administration that submits to the ballot box.

Besides, he added, the money spent on the space museum had come from interest on the colony's capital: 'It has not cost the people a cent.'

And so the wheel comes full cycle: the capitalist pump is primed to bring — among others — the Peking Opera to Hong Kong, and the Chinese flag flies officially outside a public building in the colony for the first time alongside the flags of the other participating nations.

It is a small step, but one of many — a symbol of the edging together of the two least likely partners in history.

London Bureau

LONDON — An exhibition of paintings has opened that would satisfy even the wildest dreams of a Western child.

A soldier in full battle dress scrambles for his life over stony terrain, carrying a machine gun in one hand and a grenade in another. A tank rumbles past, jets flash overhead and a falling shell sends more houses to oblivion. The trees are on fire and a woman is burning; the jets are coming back

These are not pictures to illustrate the latest war movie, however. These are pictures by children, some as young as four years old, not of their toys and games, but of their own experience.

The children are Palestinian refugees in the camps of Jordan and Lebanon, and their work is a harrowing testimony to a terrible and continuing injustice. Over thirty years after the exile of their families began, chil-

dren like these are still born to an inheritance of loss, fear and hatred.

Most of the pictures are from a selection that appear in the book "In Time of War: Children Testify," edited by the Palestinian artist Mona Saudi. A second collection are paintings of Jerusalem, gathered in 1979 from some of the 400,000 Palestinian children scattered throughout the world to make up the book: "Al Quds, Our Dream". Each one tells its own horrifying story.

The exhibition was opened on the United Nations International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, with a fervent expression of support for the "martyrs of Palestine" by Bishop Colin Winter, exiled bishop of Namibia. The Bishop stressed that he believed the present state of Israel has nothing positive or constructive to bring to mankind except naked aggression.

"I support the Palestinian right to lay down their lives for their children, for violence is the last form of political expression left to the Palestinian. I believe the struggle will grow and the will of the people will not be denied. There is no tank, gun, grenade or weapon of any kind that can deny the right of these people; I know you will return to Palestine," he said.

The address at the opening ceremony was given by Lady Diana Richmond, who spent many years in the Middle East with her husband, diplomat Sir John Richmond. She described her feelings on seeing the continued tragedy of the Palestinian people from as early as 1946 and 47. "Children are for love and security," she said. "Fortunately brooding bitterness is not a Palestinian characteristic."

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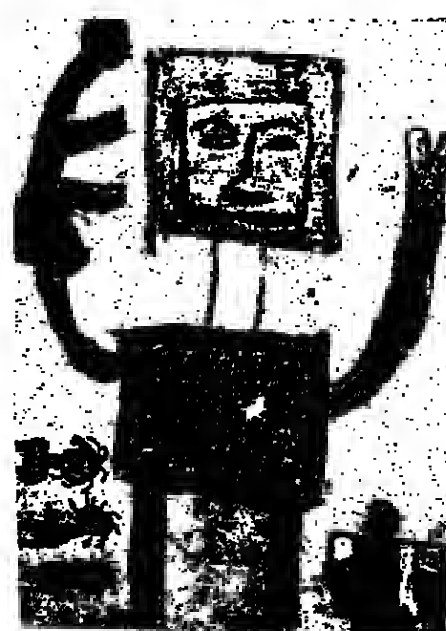
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Children's art reveals Palestinian tragedy



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praised the exhibition's attempt to bring a better understanding of the aims of the Palestinian people. He expressed satisfaction that improved representation of the Palestinian people in the international media was winning the Palestinians more and more support throughout the world. But, he warned, although the PLO firmly advocates diploma-



"Towards Freedom" by 9-year-old Fidda Khawaled

tic means, if these were to fail, resort to violence would be inevitable.

The exhibition "Palestinian Children's Art" continues until December 6th at the Africa Centre, King Street, London WC2. It is organized jointly by the Middle East Child Welfare Program and the London Friends of Palestine.

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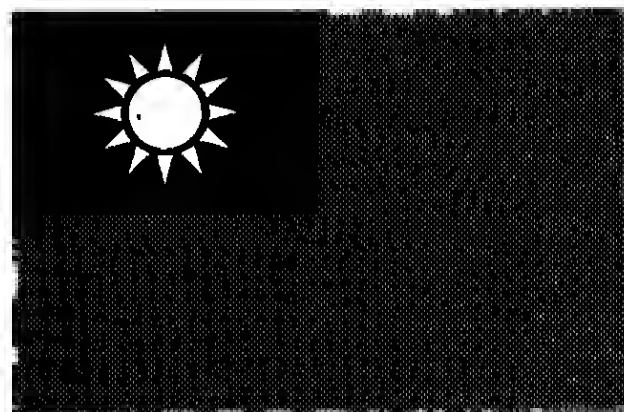
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N-tests 'will kill 150,000'

By Martin Bailey

LONDON —

A U.N. report estimates that 150,000 people have been killed or will die from nuclear tests that have already taken place. The study, prepared by an international group of experts, says 90 percent of the victims are from the northern hemisphere.

Atmospheric tests, unlike those conducted underground, release radioactive fallout, and 441 of the 1,233 nuclear tests conducted since 1945 have taken place in the atmosphere.

The International Commission on Radiological Protection estimate that if 10,000 people are exposed to a unit of radiation known as a "manrad" this is likely to cause one or two cases of fatal cancer and one case of serious genetic defect. Although these figures are "a matter of scientific controversy", as the U.N. experts admit, they are nevertheless the best available estimates of radioactive deaths.

The figure of 150,000 deaths is larger than some estimates of the total number of people killed within one month of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombs. The radiation dose from nuclear

tests is small compared with radiation from natural sources and from medical X-rays, but Professor Joseph Rothlat, a scientist who worked on the Hiroshima bomb, says: "Nuclear tests, unlike medical X-rays, do not serve any useful purpose for man... On the contrary these tests are part of the arms race which will eventually lead to nuclear war."

Atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons was dramatically reduced by the partial test ban treaty of 1963 but because radioactivity is so long lived, some of the fallout from the pre-1963 tests will still cause lethal cancer and serious genetic defects for many years.

Although Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union have signed the treaty, they have not been joined by France or China. France announced in 1974 that it was stopping atmospheric testing but China is still conducting atmospheric tests from its Lop Nor site in Central Asia.

The latest Chinese test took place in October, when a device of up to one megaton was exploded. Using the calculations of the U.N. experts, this one test alone will cause 1,000 premature deaths.

Farewell to Jamaica's folk hero

By Jeremy Taylor

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad —

The fall of Michael Manley in Jamaica's general election in October has deprived the region of a folk hero. As prime minister since 1972, Manley was a popular, charismatic figure, who somehow articulated the nationalism that runs very deep in the Caribbean. In his early years at least, he made Jamaicans feel rather as John Kennedy made Americans feel.

What undid him in the end were bread-and-butter issues. Manley strode up and down Jamaica being called "Joshua" and waving the stick he called "the rod of correction." He stood up to the powerful bauxite companies, he defied the almighty International Monetary Fund.

He made Jamaica a consciously 'nonaligned' Third World state; he was moved by the social accomplishments of Fidel Castro in Cuba, 90 miles away from Jamaica's north coast. His speeches were full of the rhetoric of the socialist dream. But as an economic manager he proved much less effective. His People's National Party accomplished a good deal of social reform, particularly in literacy, education, health. But, as the economy drifted toward bankruptcy, the sacrifices became too much.

There was a crippling loss of middle-class skills and capital. Helped along by the IMF, unemployment rose, wages fell, the familiar shortages made their mark.

In February, Manley called for a fresh mandate on Jamaica's economic future, though elections were not due until the end of 1981. Between February and October more than 700 people died in political violence, 59 of them in election week alone.

Manley's rival, 50-year-old Edward Seaga, campaigned ruthlessly, meeting Manley's charges of CIA destabilization with counter-charges of Cuban interference. Seaga's Jamaica Labor Party promised "Deliverance is near", and Jamaicans turned to him — out for his pro-American ideology, his policy of a new deal with the IMF and a deliberate courting of American capital, but out of weariness with rhetoric, with deprivation, with a sense of siege.

Seaga, American-born of Jamaican parents with a Lebanese background, is a colder, less colorful figure than Manley, but he has a reputation as an efficient manager. That reputation is going to be ruthlessly tested as Seaga tries to revitalize the Jamaican economy without seeming to sell out Jamaican pride, and at the same time tries to control the violence which has eaten deeper into Jamaican society this year than ever before.

The presence of Seaga will probably produce a marked psychological change in the Caribbean. The little left-wing nationalist parties which exist in most of the islands, impatient with the conservatism of the existing leaderships, have done badly in elections in the last year, and will see Manley's fall as a real blow.

Kremlin woos Zimbabwe

By Bruce Johns

SALISBURY —

Vasily Solodovnikov stared from the window of Melkies Hotel in Salisbury recently and contemplated the capital city of a country that could have been the Kremlin's latest stronghold in Africa. As Solodovnikov is the Soviet ambassador to Zambia, it was strange to find him in Zimbabwe, but he had a jokey answer ready for that question. "I'm on vacation," he said.

If so, it is a working holiday. Solodovnikov, accompanied by two aides, slipped secretly into Salisbury two weeks ago. Unlike the comings and goings of even the most junior diplomats, his arrival went unannounced.

An aide to Prime Minister Robert Mugabe admitted that the seven-month-old government did not want the visit publicized, and authoritative sources confirmed the real reason for Solodovnikov's arrival — the beginning of a thaw in relations between Salisbury and Moscow and the start of efforts to establish diplomatic links. But one insider said: "He won't be seeing anyone at high level — not at this stage."

The Soviet Union is the only major nation missing from the list of 32 countries that have established formal diplomatic links with Zimbabwe since the British colony won its independence last April after nine decades of white domination and a seven-year guerrilla war.

Not that surprised anyone here. Mugabe, whose ZANLA forces were backed mainly by China, pleaded in vain for arms and supplies from Moscow during the war. But the Soviet Union backed the wrong horse — the ZIPRA forces of Joshua Nkomo, a leading member of the minority



Uganda goes to polls in chaos

By Thomas Lansner

KAMPALA —

Preparations for Uganda's first elections since 1962, scheduled to be held on Dec. 10, are in full swing. Until last week, the Democratic Party had threatened to boycott the elections unless a single ballot box was used at each polling station. It dropped its opposition to multiple boxes after party leaders received written assurances from the ruling Military Commission that there would be safeguards to prevent electoral abuse.

Two smaller parties, the Uganda Patriotic Movement and the Conservative Party, are following the Democratic Party lead. A 35-strong Commonwealth observer team is in Uganda to report on the conduct of the election. The group is headed by Ebenezer Debrah, a former Ghana high commissioner in London.

Debrah has been holding meetings with political leaders and government officials in Kampala and is so far satisfied with the government's commitment to free and fair elections. "The material preparations are coming along quite well," he said. "We have met no group unwilling to carry on with the elections." Last Sunday the observers began visits to four regional centers outside the capital to monitor the progress of the campaign and visit some of the 5,000 polling stations.

Former President Milton Obote is keeping to a relentless schedule of rallies at which he exhorts Ugandans to reject tribal, religious and regional bias, and to vote the Uganda People's Congress back into power as a unifying force.

The Democratic Party replies by attacking Obote's record during his tenure as Uganda's president in the 1960s. His destruction of the Baganda kingdom is never forgotten, and rarely forgiven, by many in southern Uganda.

Former President Godfrey Binaisa has been frozen out as the Uganda Patriotic Movement candidate for Kampala West. Binaisa, under house arrest since his overthrow in April, was not released from detention by the Military Commission and thus could not file his nomination papers in person as required by law.

Nominations for the nation's 126 constituencies closed two weeks ago and, with the exception of the West Nile district, the exercise was largely successful. West Nile was invaded in October by remnants of Idi Amin's army. Government troops who were sent to quell the fighting exacted heavy retribution from the civilian population, from which much of Amin's army had been drawn.

Nearly 250,000 people fled and were unable to register to vote. Six of the Democratic Party candidates in West Nile failed to file their nomination papers, though they had left Kampala with military and police escorts. The West Nile seats were considered safe for the Democratic Party and could be crucial in a close contest.

Behind Guinea-Bissau coup

By Mary Chalmers

LISBON —

The almost bloodless coup in the tiny West African state of Guinea-Bissau was brought about by racial rivalry. The leaders ousted by black nationalist officers were members of a small elite of Cape Verde islanders, who before independence in 1974, had ruled Guinea-Bissau as servants of the Portuguese.

The mixed-race Cape Verdeans, whose home is a string of arid volcanic islands 400 miles to the west, were also in the vanguard of Guinea-Bissau's bitter struggle for independence.

When the African Party for the Independence of Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde (PAIGC) launched its 11-year guerrilla war against the Portuguese in 1963, islanders fought and died alongside their black Guinean comrades in the African hush. The common struggle gave life to the ideal of the PAIGC's founder, Amilcar Cabral, of an eventual union between Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde.

But after independence the dream went sour. The islanders' educational advantages over Guinea-Bissau's 900,000 blacks meant that they continued to dominate senior posts in the PAIGC, which now ruled both countries.

Constant official pledges of loyalty to the unity ideal degenerated into mere rhetoric. The administration of deposed President Luis Cabral, himself of

Cape Verdean origin, presided over a crumbling economy, hamstrung by the Sahel drought and growing corruption among government officials.

The showdown came on Nov. 10, when after controversial debate, parliament adopted a new constitution, increasing presidential powers and allowing Cape Verdeans to run for the presidency, a right denied to Guineans in the islands.

The leader of the self-proclaimed Council of the Revolution, which grabbed power on Nov. 14, is former Minister Joao Bernardo Vieira. The 41-year-old leader was a popular guerrilla commander whose skill earned him the nickname of "Africa's Che Guevara" among the Portuguese military.

Like several of the new leaders, he is a friend of many of those who have been deposed and he has issued strong warnings against intimidation and harassment of the 4,000-strong Cape Verdean community. The new authorities know administration would collapse if the islanders suddenly pulled out of Guinea-Bissau's government machine.

One Cape Verdean member of the former government, Transport Minister Manoel Dos Santos, has already been reinstated after having gone into hiding. Severe difficulties lie ahead, and President Ahmad Sekou Toure of neighboring Guinea-Conakry, who has always preached the ideal of a united Guinea, is watching on the sidelines for the new government to make its first mistakes. (OFNS)

Saudi Arabian Press Review

All newspapers led with the King's return to Riyadh ending a two day visit to Medina, during which he dedicated a desalination plant and visited the Islamic University of Medina. The papers focused on Crown Prince Fahd's visit to Pakistan, on which great importance has been placed as the first step towards a larger Islamic solidarity strategy. Prince Abdullah announced that the Kingdom is ready to carry out an initiative for Arab or Islamic solidarity after the successful mediation efforts which contained the border tension between Syria and Jordan, according to *Okaz*. The prince said that the Kingdom would not stop its efforts, which are in the interest of the Arab and Islamic nations, if the need should occur for such efforts.

On the Syrian-Jordanian border tension, the papers highlighted the success of the Kingdom's mediation initiative, with reports by travellers between Syria and Jordan that the two countries are withdrawing their forces from the border area. *Al-Bilad* said under a front page lead banner that Crown Prince Fahd and Pakistani President Zia ul Haq will discuss supporting and developing Islamic power. The visit will be the first step in a comprehensive move toward achieving Islamic solidarity, the paper added.

Meanwhile, *Al-Nadwa* gave prominence to the resumption of pumping Iraqi oil through Syrian territories Sunday morning. The paper quoted Syrian sources as saying that one of two oil tankers loaded 35,000 tons of Iraqi crude three days ago

from the Syrian Mediterranean port of Banias. The Iraqi government's request to resume the pumping of crude oil from the Northern Iraqi oil fields last week was agreed by Syria, the paper added. On the subject of oil, *Al-Yom* said the OPEC oil ministers' meeting in Kuwait Monday would consider establishment of a legal body to settle problems within the organization. Observers expressed pessimism that the OPEC ministerial conference of Bali would fail if the Iraqi-Iranian conflict were to be discussed, the paper noted.

In another article the paper carried a report saying that President-elect Ronald Reagan wants to go ahead with the Camp David peace process. *Al-Jazira* gave prominence to reports attributed to Sen. Charles Percy as telling Soviet officials during his recent visit he would favor establishment of a Palestinian state under PLO chairman Yasser Arafat. The paper also reported that the new U.S. administration would offer increased military and economic assistance for Pakistan if the U.S. were permitted to have bases in the country.

The paper quoted the Iraqi ambassador to the Kingdom, Shafiq Al-Daragi, as saying the Iraqi-Iranian war would not end unless the Iranians admit their mistakes. The ambassador also said the Iraqi nuclear reactor was only slightly damaged.

Meanwhile, editorials dealt mostly with Crown Prince Fahd's visit to Pakistan, and his statement during the dedication of Medina desalination plant in which he hailed the efforts of Saudi Arabian

youth, *Okaz* commented on the success of the mediation initiative between Syria and Jordan.

Al-Riyadh stated that the Kingdom's policy never distinguished between Arab and Islamic nations, nor did it prefer one to the other. The Kingdom's successful mediation effort between Syria and Jordan recently followed by Crown Prince Fahd's visit to Pakistan, is evidence of the balanced policy towards the Arab and Islamic worlds, the paper added. The visit will further promote close relations between the two countries. The problems facing the Islamic world include the Communist destruction of Afghanistan which has left an impact on the Pakistani economy, it said.

Al-Madina noted that the crown prince's visit precedes important Islamic meetings that necessitate wide-ranging consultations between Islamic countries. This is in addition to the devastating conditions Islam and Muslims are facing in Afghanistan, from Communists, and Jerusalem, Palestine and Lebanon, from Zionists. The dimensions of the new Islamic moves will be highlighted by Crown Prince Fahd's talks with President Zia ul Haq, giving the lead in political, economic and military joint action for the Islamic world, *Al-Bilad* said.

Meanwhile, *Al-Yom* commented on the conflicting reports on the policy of President-elect Reagan. The new administration, it said, had decided to continue the Camp David peace process. It is not surprising that Reagan's statement upset specula-

tion that the United States under him would differ from Carter's U.S. towards the Middle East and that he would abandon the Camp David accords. The paper added that the new administration did not forget the need for decoration, so Reagan's

announcement of continuation of Camp David came accompanied by the statement of Herman Eilts, former U.S. ambassador to Egypt, calling for recognition of the PLO and opening direct talks with the organization.



Enjoyed mixing with world leaders

Shah bulldozed obstacles to modernization

Answer to History by Muhammad Reza Pahlavi, the Shah of Iran. Stein and Day, New York, \$12.95

By Andrew Craig — Part 2

The new Shah was greatly impressed by demonstrations of popular support after his investiture, assuming that they were not only spontaneous and sincere but indicative of a universal feeling. He quickly reached an accommodation with the Allies, who promised to withdraw their forces from the country within six months of the end of hostilities. Iran was now at war with the Axis powers, but its forces played no active part in the fighting.

An anecdote from the Tehran Conference between Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill is revealing: "Roosevelt stood at the peak of his power that year. Imagine my surprise, when I heard this agreeable man asking me to engage him as a forestry expert in Iran once his term as U.S. president had expired. What could such a request mean? Did Roosevelt believe the future of Iran had been secured so he could already worry about future problems such as reforestation?" A sense of humor might not have prolonged the Shah's reign, but it would surely have helped him to enjoy it. At the conference, Stalin impressed, and deceived, him with politeness and an offer of tanks.

The Shah was faced after the war with substantial problems, and his achievements in solving many of them should not be underrated. Soviet forces eventually withdrew after American pressure, but the Russians continued to support, through the Tudeh (Communist) party, secessionist revolts in Azerbaijan and other northern provinces. These were put down by the Shah's forces; ever ready to see conspiracy, he claims that the British, too, were supporting the Tudeh. At times his suspicion of the British is taken to extreme lengths: in 1949 he was wounded in an assassination attempt by a young Tudeh supporter.

ter. "The British had their fingers in strange pies," he writes. "The assassin's mistress father was a gardener at the British embassy!"

One of the most pressing issues was Iran's oil industry, still largely controlled by foreign interests. A law passed in 1946 gave Iran a bigger share of the profits and stopped the granting of further concessions, but widespread dissatisfaction remained. This was to prove the gravest disturbance in the early part of the Shah's reign. He was wary of offending the British by unilateral nationalization, but in 1951 bowed to popular pressure to appoint as prime minister Muhammad Mossadegh, who had been making violent speeches against the British and in favor of nationalization. Unilateral action was followed by a British blockade and no oil was sold for three years. This was of no more benefit to Britain than to Iran, but the Shah accuses Mossadegh, too, of being a British agent and, at the same time, a Communist sympathizer. After riots, during which the Shah left the country, Mossadegh was overthrown and a settlement was made with the oil companies (the role of the CIA in Mossadegh's removal is not mentioned). From 1958 onwards control of oil production was transferred to Iranian hands; the Shah presents this as a personal achievement.

Although he rebukes Mossadegh for antagonizing Western oil interests, he claims that after 1958 a conspiracy was mounted against him by these same interests which included abuse in the media, demonstrations by "professional agitators" posing as students and the death, in a plane crash, of Enrico Mattei, who helped to found the Irano-Italian Oil Company.

The Shah was the prime mover of the price rise decided by OPEC in December 1973, and his defense of this move is convincing. The demand for oil could have justified a far higher price even than the new one; at the old price governments of oil-consuming nations made more in tax on each barrel than the producers were paid; the increase encouraged energy conservation and the reservation of oil for essential petrochemical products; and it made alternative energy sources economic, so stimulating research. The hostile reception given to the oil producers at the time has now been forgotten.

Of his foreign policy the Shah says little of significance, merely reciting a long list of countries with whom he had friendly relations: he includes several Communist countries. Clearly, he enjoyed his position as head of state and the opportunities it gave him for meeting other world leaders on a personal footing. Thus ideological differences did not prevent him from "making great friends" with several East European leaders, and he records his "sincere admiration" for Leonid Brezhnev, "a superb diplomat." But he presents the issues simplistically and gives no insights to the reader. Of his relations with Iraq, for example, he writes: "I spoke at length with Saddam Hussein... we succeeded in ending the misunderstandings which colonialist influences had maintained between us... all our territorial disputes were also settled." With hindsight, rather optimistic statement.

The project closest to the Shah's heart, and the achievement of which he was proudest, was the modernization and Westernization of his country, which he gave the title of "the White Revolution." His list of accomplishments under this heading is impressive. Land was distributed to the peasants. Forests were protected and more trees planted. Dams greatly increased the area of irrigated land and the quantity of electricity generated. Workers were guaranteed employment and a share in the profits of their businesses. Food and housing were subsidized. Popular courts were set up in many villages, as were thousands of clinics and schools, run by volunteers. Cheap housing was built. Women were given voting rights, and the "Organization of Imperial Inspection" was instituted to fight corruption in the administrative bureaucracy.

What went wrong? Why did not the Iranian people respond with grateful loyalty? The first and simplest answer is that the Shah's reforms did not work. Efficiency did not become the norm, inflation was not controlled, corruption was not eliminated, the shanty towns of Tehran were not made

redundant. Many of the Shah's plans were not carried out or were inadequate: 31,000 government-sponsored housing units were built, for example, insignificant in a country of 35 million. Price regulations designed to fight inflation forced merchants to trade at a loss.

But it is also important to look at the Shah's motives for his modernization program. One passage is particularly relevant: "Bazaars are a major social and commercial institution throughout the Mideast. But it remains my conviction that their time is past. The bazaar consists of a cluster of small shops. There is usually little sunshine or ventilation so that they are basically unhealthy environs. The bazaaris are a fanatic lot, highly resistant to change because their locations afford a lucrative monopoly. I could not stop building supermarkets. I wanted a modern country. Moving against the bazaaris was typical of the political and social risks I had to take in my



CHANGES: the Shah as youthful king, mighty ruler and sick exile drive for modernization." The Shah pursued his policies with extreme insensitivity: he saw a vision of what Iran should be, a vision of a country shaped by his own hands, and it did not concern him that the people's ideas might be different from his. He was certain that he knew best. The book offers no serious explanation of the reasons for the growth of opposition, but it does offer the reader hints. (To be continued)

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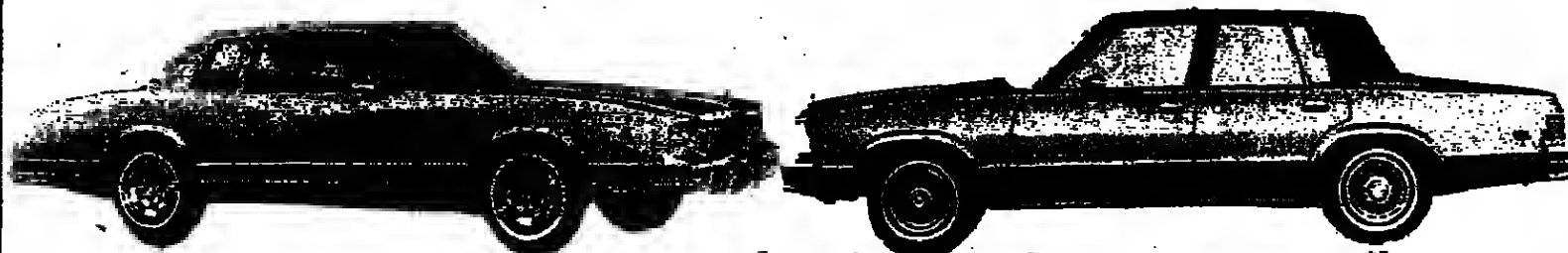
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Portugal coalition threatened

Eanes re-elected

LISBON, Dec. 8 (AP) — President Antonio Ramalho Eanes, a left-of-center retired general, was re-elected to a five-year term Sunday in a stunning victory over the ruling center-right coalition.

The voting came four days after the death of Prime Minister Francisco Sa Carneiro, who was killed in a plane crash while campaigning for Eanes' main rival, Gen. Antonio Soares Carneiro. An expected sympathy vote for the government candidate in response to the prime minister's death did not materialize.

Eanes' victory could split the coalition government, which Industry Minister Alvaro Barret said would formally resign Monday.

Military removes liberal member of Salvador junta

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador, Dec. 8 (AP) — Army Col. Alfonso Adolfo Mahano, considered one of the most liberal members of the five-man Salvadoran junta, told reporters Sunday he was no longer on the junta. Meanwhile, two of the three civilian members threatened to resign if violence continued.

Meanwhile, a U.S. presidential commission met Sunday with Roman Catholic leaders and top military leaders in efforts to determine if the armed forces were involved in the murders of three American nuns and a social worker. Diplomatic sources said they understood that the armed forces officers had voted Saturday 300-4 to remove Mahano as one of the two army colonels on the junta.

A top U.S. official, who asked not to be named, said it was "our understanding" that Mahano was voted off the junta and that he probably would be replaced, leaving the council with only four members. Mahano, discussing right-wing militants in a radio interview Saturday night, said "the right has infiltrated the high commands of the armed forces and the government."

The head of El Salvador's Catholic church, Bishop Arturo Rivera Damas, blamed the junta for the deaths of the Americans, saying it was responsible for the actions of the armed forces. Later in the day the bishop met with the U.S. delegation at his office, according to a U.S. Embassy spokesman.

He said the coalition will try to form a new government during an emergency meeting later in the day.

As president, Eanes has the power to dismiss the government if the coalition is unable to form a new one. Without Sa Carneiro, who forged the coalition, prospects for the new government were uncertain.

With 70 per cent of the nation's precincts reporting, the national election center gave Eanes 1,963,461 votes or 57.4 per cent, to Soares Carneiro's 1,397,929, or 39.3 per cent, with the remaining votes scattered among four minor candidates.

Soares Carneiro, who was not related to the late prime minister, conceded defeat shortly after midnight, calling the results "a popular verdict."

Eanes, backed by the moderate Socialist Party and the Communists, had been given a slight edge over Soares Carneiro, the candidate of Sa Carneiro's Democratic Alliance. Eanes told cheering supporters at a noisy victory party: "This was a victory for democracy. I accept it."

Eanes also thanked the parties that backed him but did not mention the Communists, who threw eleven-hour support to the president by withdrawing their candidate. But it was clear the disciplined turnout of both the Communists and Socialists gave Eanes his strongest support as the nation continued in national mourning for Sa Carneiro, whose funeral was held Saturday.

Sa Carneiro, who perished with six others in the plane crash, had vowed to resign if Eanes, his arch political rival, were elected to another term. The government, which had the first parliamentary majority since a 1974 leftist military coup ended 50 years of rightist dictatorship, had counted heavily on transferring Sa Carneiro's popularity to Soares Carneiro.

N- sanitation studied

MIDDLETOWN, Pennsylvania, Dec. 8 (AP) — International nuclear experts are gathered at the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant for an extended course in how to clean up after a nuclear mishap.

TMI has hosted physicians and engineers from West Germany, Spain, Sweden, Italy and Taiwan since the plant was crippled last year in the worst commercial nuclear accident in the United States.



President Eanes

Crawl by Thai wins garlic ban

By Edward Thangarajah
Special Correspondent

BANGKOK, Dec. 8 — A member of the Thai Parliament got down on his knees for his constituents last week — and probably won them prosperity. The parliamentarian, from northern Thailand where garlic growers have been stung by cheap imports, protested by crawling with a heap of dry garlic from parliament to the prime minister's office.

He submitted a protest letter to Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanonda and before he could turn the protest into a hunger demonstration, the Thai chief of state banned all future imports and ordered what had already been brought into the country to be sold immediately or exported to neighboring countries.

The grateful MP offered his load of garlic as thanksgiving in a religious ceremony and vowed he would make a bigger offering from farmers next year with the profit they would make as a result of the ban.

Dublin talks to focus on hunger strike

DUBLIN, Dec. 8 (AFP) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was expected here Monday for talks with Prime Minister Charles Haughey that may turn around the hunger strike staged by seven Irish activists in an Ulster prison to obtain political status.

For reasons of security, no details were given about exactly when and where the meeting would take place. It was generally assumed it would not exceed 24 hours.

Mrs. Thatcher and Haughey apparently set the meeting when they agreed on the principle of periodic discussions between themselves as they were both attending the last European Community summit in Luxembourg.

Haughey, observers believed here, would ask Mrs. Thatcher to come up rapidly with some compromise formula permitting to put an end to the hunger strike at Ulster's Maze prison which has been increasingly straining Anglo-Irish relations.

Before parliament, the Irish prime minister has come out for a solution that might derive from a reform to be put through in Ulster's penitentiary system as a whole. Mrs. Thatcher so far is on record as adamantly opposed to any modification in the status of Irish Republican Army activists convicted of terrorism.

Mrs. Thatcher's visit will be the first of a British premier since Edward Heath came here in 1973 to meet Irish Premier Liam Cosgrave for a discussion of plans for establishing a separate Belfast government and parliament.

Soviet feet unshod

MOSCOW, Dec. 8 (AFP) — Anyone wishing to put his best foot forward in Moscow these days is confronted by a serious problem: boots are virtually unobtainable except on the black market. The daily newspaper *Sovetskaya Rossiya* reported that boots are not to be found in Soviet state stores.

The newspaper said that boots can be found on the black market at Kursk, 500 kms from Moscow, which is frequented each day by about 50,000 shoppers. It is impossible, the daily added, to find the same products in the state stores. *Sovetskaya Rossiya* agreed that the black market is provisioned by "speculators" who obtain their supplies directly from the factories.



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Rhythmic 'language' endangered

Ghana drums 'talk' to U.S. musician

KUMASI, Ghana, Dec. 8 (LAT) — At night, one can still hear the drums in Kumasi. They seem to cut through the forest with a sudden closeness and then, with the shift of the breeze, to fade just as quickly.

The drums are real enough, but the language of the drums — and it is a language — is being lost in the rush of time and the struggle to survive. All across the continent, people are moving from old ways to new, and it is inevitable that the old ways lose ground and begin to fade. It is also inevitable that, here and there, someone tries to halt that process.

The first time Craig Woodson heard African drumming, he was an undergraduate at the University of California Los Angeles, a jazz and rock drummer with an academic bent who studied what other people called "noise" and who seemed to hear rhythms everywhere he went, even in jackhammers and traffic.

"When I heard those guys, though,"

Woodson said, marveling at the memory even now, "I heard something I never heard before. I was just knocked out."

The drummers Woodson heard were all white Americans — except for their leader and teacher, a Ghanaian named Kwasi Badu, a man Woodson began to consider a "mystic genius" not long after he started studying with him.

Now, about half a dozen years later, Woodson, 37, is in Ghana, at the old Ashanti tribal capital of Kumasi, in the central region of the country. He has discovered that the art of African drumming — particularly the legendary "talking drums" of Ghana — used to send messages hundreds of miles — has come close to becoming an endangered species of the musical world.

One of the reasons the talking drum — playing it and understanding it — may be fading from the scene, Woodson learned, is that there are very few of the old artisans left.

who remember or still practice the difficult craft of making the atumpan — the paired, "male" and "female" drums that are played with mallets in a way that imitates not only the rhythms but the sound of ewi, the language of the region.

"The drums were really suppressed for most of the last 100 years or so," Woodson said. "The British, who had been fought pretty much to a standstill by the Ashanti since the late 17th century, didn't like hearing those drums. They did what they could to hold down the Ashanti culture."

Woodson believes that these drums — wonders of acoustical engineering — have changed very little, if at all, in 250 years. They are cut from solid pieces of forest hardwood, hollowed out to a wide chamber in the middle, then to a narrow core at the foot of the drum. Woodson says the power of the drum comes from this core. A loud struck on the cowhide head can be heard six miles away. "It's like a sound cannon," Woodson said.

For generations, Woodson learned, the drums "were considered the property of the Ashanti king, or of other chiefs, and they were played only on command."

"There was no gossiping on the drums," he continued, "unless, of course, the chief wanted to hear gossip. The men who played them did nothing else. They held an honored position in the tribe. Young boys who were chosen to be musicians did nothing else. Learning to drum was their only schooling."

"The messages they sent went for hundreds of miles, passed on by other drummers in other villages. They carried news, commands, announcements of arriving visitors, whatever the chief wanted sent. In those days, just about everyone understood what the drums said. The drums were heard every day. It was a familiar sound."

Woodson is working on a project at the University of Science and Technology at Kumasi to develop modern methods of making the drums. Using wood lathes and other machinery, Woodson hopes to ensure that the atumpan does not disappear from Ghana.

Still, being a musician, it is clear that Woodson's main fascination is not with how the drums were made, but how the music is made. With that in mind, Woodson has spent a good part of the last year going from town to town in the Kumasi area, attending funerals, weddings, feasts and the Saturday-afternoon culturefest called an Anokyekrom, where musicians and singers gather and play for hours.

Woodson is good enough on each of the instruments to sit in with the ensembles and sometimes does so — but mostly he listens, accompanying a visitor to one recent Anokyekrom, Woodson sat with his notebook on his lap, scat-singing the rhythms as he listened.

From the very first, the music — produced at the Anokyekrom on a high stage in a shelter that held a crowd of about 2,000 — is arresting and utterly strange. The rhythms at first seem conflicting and out of sync, and then the ear sorts them out, one by one — bells, drums, a three-note "thumb piano" — and finally absorbs the whole.



RENOUNDED: A New York City police benefit concert reunited four of America's best-known musicians. Eubie Blake, seated at left, teamed up with Lionel Hampton, standing at right, for Blake's hit number of the 20s "Memories of You." Also pictured are Cab Calloway, seated at right, and Bobby Short.

Study of coronary bypass advised

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP) — Coronary bypass surgery is important advance in treating heart disease, but more studies are needed on how the operations affect patient path rates, according to a panel of medical experts.

The group, convened by the National Institutes of Health to examine the merits of surgery to bypass blocked heart arteries, said it took time to see if the operations improve blood flow to the heart and relieve pain in many patients.

While several studies also indicate that overall survival is improved in some groups of patients, more studies are needed on the

overall effects of the operation on mortality, the panel said.

It noted that because of risks associated with the surgery, doctors and patients should first consider comprehensive drug treatment in many cases. However, if there is no relief from painful symptoms or the patient is at high risk of a fatal heart attack, surgery should be considered the treatment of choice, the experts said.

When major heart blood vessels develop blockages for various reasons, the flow of blood to the heart muscle is impaired or stopped. This can lead to severe chest pain and possibly to heart attacks.

Kenya hospital may siphon off rural doctors

NAIROBI, Kenya Dec. 8 (LAT) — A new medical center, billed as the most modern in east Africa, is scheduled to open here next year. But already it has become an object of intense dispute among health authorities.

"That big monument — it will become like a siphon to suck back all the doctors to Nairobi, leaving the rural areas even more understaffed," said one medical school faculty member whose specialty is community health.

But other Kenyan physicians, most of whom have been trained in surgery and other specialties in Europe or the United States, boast of expanded facilities for heart surgery and kidney dialysis — the only ones in east Africa — that will become available at the new Kenyatta National Hospital.

Another doctor — a West German brought here to solve logistical problems of supplying drugs to remote health centers in the bush — scoffs at the idea of heart surgery in a country like Kenya.

"Not a penny should be invested in heart surgery here," he declared. "It will extend

the lives of a few people maybe five years. So what? This same amount of money spent on vaccination programs will save tens of thousands of lives." Now 25 per cent of the rural health centers of Kenya are closed because they lack drugs, the German doctor said.

This is a controversy that rages all over Africa — in fact, in countries on every continent, even in the United States. But in the developing countries, the issues are far more crucial. The developing countries of Africa — as in Latin America, Asia and the Pacific — are under far greater strain to meet both the expensive demands of Western curative medicine and the special health needs of their own people.

In most of these countries, the overwhelming number of health problems result from infections and poor nutrition — not heart disease, cancer, kidney disease and the other chronic illnesses that plague people in developed countries, although they do occur.

But, according to the World Health Organization, many poor countries spend 40 per

cent or more of their total health budget on a single hospital in the capital city, while the vast majority of the population is left unserved or inadequately served in rural villages. No one advocates closing hospitals. Rather, there is pleading for a more even balance of funds in favor of preventive services.

Some heart problems could be prevented in the villages for less than \$2 per person if sufficient antibiotics were available in the rural health centers, said Dr. Dan Kasheja of the University of Nairobi medical school. The antibiotics would be used to treat streptococcal infections that can cause heart valve problems if left untreated, he said.

The great majority of the patients in the hospital wards are suffering from the chronic effects of malaria, hepatitis, tuberculosis, typhoid fever, and parasitic diseases — all of which are preventable or controllable at the village level.

"But," Kasheja said, "that kind of preventive job is not the prestigious thing. Most doctors would rather be training to do heart transplants."

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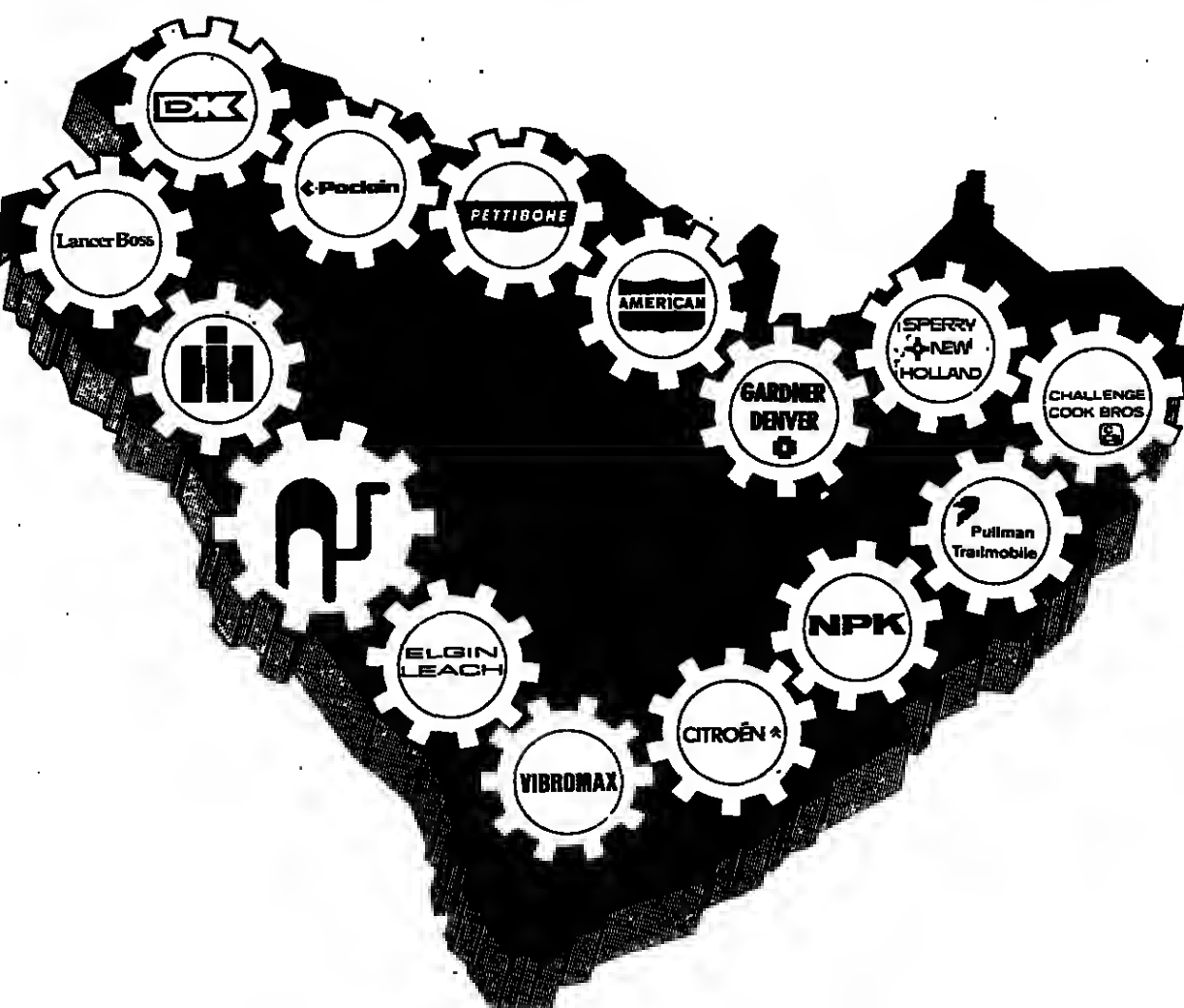
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IEA seeks decision on demand, supplies

PARIS, Dec. 8 (R) — Major oil consuming countries face a week of different decisions on how best to limit oil demand and share reduced supplies so as to avoid a new rise in producer's prices. The 21 energy ministers of the International Energy Agency (IEA) member-states arrive in Paris Tuesday to discuss a possible oil-sharing scheme and lower oil import targets for 1981 before embarking on formal negotiations Tuesday. The IEA will probably opt for a combination of measures to overcome the cut-off in oil supplies caused by the Gulf war between Iraq and Iran and prevent a scramble for oil on the Rotterdam spot market, IEA officials said.

The willingness of IEA countries to continue to fall back on their oil stocks and shift supplies between countries and multinational companies to even out shortages will be a major influence on the attitude of oil producers contemplating price rises. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is due to meet in Bali, Indonesia, next week to fix next year's price levels.

Several OPEC ministers meeting in Paris this weekend stressed that the larger industrial countries could provoke a sharp increase in oil prices unless they used stocks and held back from large purchases on the spot market.

The IEA, however, has already started drawing its stocks and since October has been using about 2.5 million barrels per day (BPD) from reserves instead of the normal 900,000 BPD to help overcome the Gulf war cut-off, estimated at 3.9 million BPD. In an attempt to ease this situation, oil producers have stepped up output by some 1.5 million BPD.

The decisions facing the IEA ministers are largely of a technical nature, since most members are committed to using their stocks,

IEA officials said. The Common Market countries have already agreed on a draft scheme for a controlled reduction of oil reserves but this will not be put into effect unless other oil consumers agree to do the same.

Japanese officials have said they are encouraged by the EEC initiative, and the United States has been reducing oil imports as its economy slows down. However, the U.S. Senate voted last month to increase the country's Strategic Oil Reserve at a rate of 300,000 BPD instead of 100,000 BPD.

IEA officials played down the political aspect of whether certain IEA countries would be less vigorous in drawing on stocks than others. IEA oil consuming has fallen an aggregate six per cent over the past year and the United States is importing less than six million BPD compared with eight million BPD in 1978.

The world economic recession and the Gulf war have meant that the IEA has underwritten its import target of 23.3 million BPD for this year by just under three million BPD. The West and Japan still have fairly high stocks, although estimates vary depending on whether they are based on tons of oil or the number of days' supply.

Since the beginning of October, IEA stocks have fallen by about 32 million tons to between 458 and 468 million tons. The agency prefers a strategic lower stock limit of 90 days of net imports but the estimated daily tonnage required differs according to varying projected levels of consumption. Present stocks are estimated as either sufficient for between 82 and 90 days, or for more than 100 days, depending on the consumption projections used.

If stocks continue to be drawn on at the present level, they could fall to 400 million tons, or a maximum 90 days' supply, by the beginning of April.

Poor harvest could result in cereal shortages -- FAO

ROME, Dec. 8 (R) — The world will face serious cereal shortages if there are poor harvests in major producing regions next year, the U.N.'s Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) said Monday. Its monthly food outlook report said that with carry-over stocks heavily reduced, the world would begin the 1981-82 season with virtually no cushion against major crop shortfalls.

For this reason the level of 1981 production will be crucial. If there are poor harvests in major producing regions in 1981, there could be a severe squeeze on supplies in the next season, it said. FAO said its November estimates for the year's cereal production fell by two million tons to 1,416 million tons from October's estimate, itself nine million tons less than the below average 1979 crop.

As a result of the decline in cereal production and growing import demand, cereal stocks will have to be reduced for the second straight year to meet current consumption

requirements," the report said.

It said the drop from October mainly reflected a reduction in the estimate of China's grain production in 1980. The decline of cereal production, the second in two years, results from a sharply lower coarse grain crop and a below average wheat crop," the FAO said, adding that despite a good rice crop, the import requirements of many needy developing countries were greater.

The report said drought had seriously affected cereal production in the Sahel countries, the Cape Verde islands, Gambia, Mauritania, and Senegal.

The FAO also reported that in 1980 consumption of milk and milk production grew faster than production for the second year running.

It said the increase was mainly in the richer developing countries, with the Soviet Union remaining the biggest importer of dairy products.

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ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — The United Arab Emirates has exported crude oil worth \$17.8 billion so far this year, according to official statistics released here Sunday. The official UAE news agency said exports have reached 623 million barrels, averaging in prices \$29.47 per barrel.

KUWAIT, (AFP) — Iraq is currently exporting between 300,000 and 350,000 barrels of oil per day through the Syrian terminal at Banyas, Syrian oil Minister Abdul Jabbar Dhakhak said here Sunday. Jabbar-Dhakhak told journalists that the flow of oil could be increased to 500,000 barrels per day "if need be," and "depending on the export program by the Iraqis." The export of Iraqi oil through Syria started last Monday, the minister added.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 8 (AFP) — The 619,000 million tons of oil in a huge Siberian oil field is not all recoverable, Swedish Petroleum studies said Sunday after oil specialists expressed the size of these reserves.

Striking oil workers control 16 offshore rigs N. of Peru

LIMA, Dec. 8 (R) — Striking oil workers were reported Monday to control 16 rigs off northern Peru as their dispute spread to operations onshore. Press reports reaching Lima said 11,000 workers from private and state-owned companies were on strike in the northern coastal region of Talara, which normally produces about 50,000 barrels of oil a day.

The dispute began last Tuesday when workers of the U.S. Belco Petroleum Corporation seized control of 36 offshore rigs and forced the company's supervisors to return to shore. Police backed by the navy persuaded workers on 20 rigs to give in Friday, but the press reports said oilmen on the other 16 used jets of gas to keep police launches at bay.

Onshore, police fired pellets and tear gas to evict strikers from port installations and company offices. Government officials said seven people, including two policemen, were injured in the clashes. The strikers were demanding the reinstatement of dismissed workers and guarantees against future layoffs.

Meanwhile, despite a wealth of potential reserves beneath its soil, Peru may quickly forfeit its membership of the elite club of oil-exporting nations. According to Mines and Energy Minister Pedro Pablo Kuczynski, Peru's problem is not a shortage of oil but of money.

Peru has produced oil for more than a century and has officially estimated recoverable reserves of four billion barrels. It became self-sufficient three years ago and now produces 207,000 barrels per day (BPD), of which 79,000 are sold on the free "spot market," earning the country about \$1 billion a year.

But the outlook is grim. Exploration and secondary recovery are at a standstill, paralyzed by a shortage of cash at the state petroleum company, Petroperu, and by lack of

incentives for foreign firms, the minister has said.

Domestic consumption is increasing by between eight and 10 per cent a year. Kuczynski, an urbane, U.S.-schooling oilman, set the alarm bells ringing when he predicted that unless immediate action was taken Peru would have to import oil by 1984.

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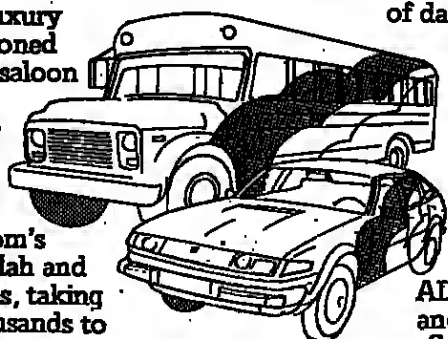
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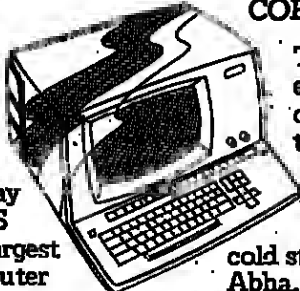
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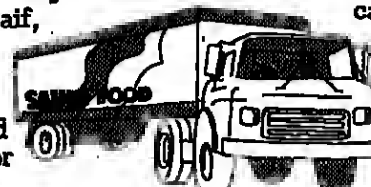
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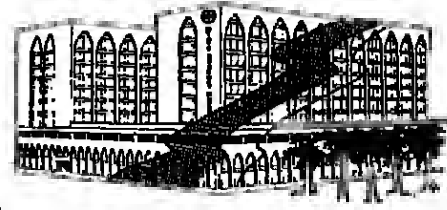
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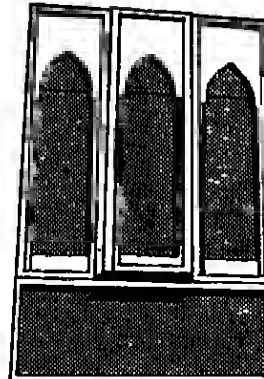
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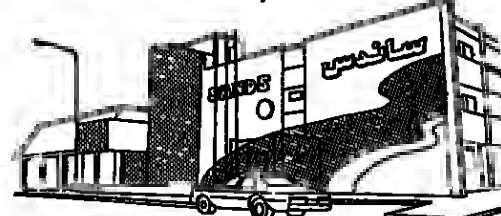


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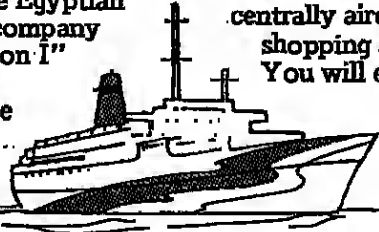
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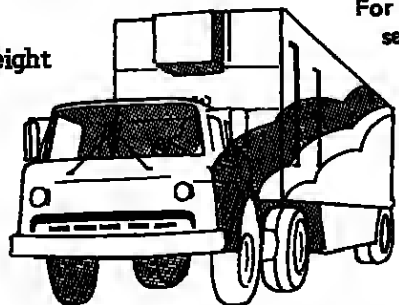


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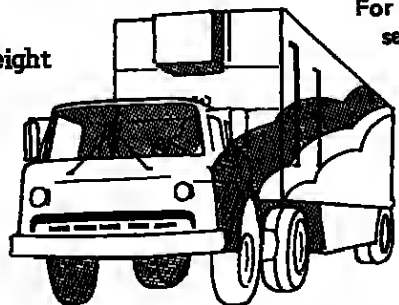
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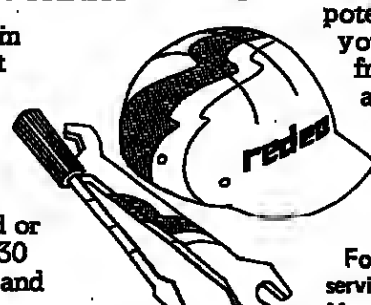
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Weather disrupts European soccer

Bayern wins, goes top

PARIS, Dec. 8 (AFP) — Bayern Munich went back to the top of the West German First Division in style this weekend when they hammered old rivals Borussia Moenchengladbach 4-1 at home.

But they could thank their two point lead at the top of the table to the heavy snow which swept the north of the country, for Bayern's main challengers in the title race, Hamburg, were unable to play their scheduled home clash against Munich 1860. Two other league matches also had to be postponed.

Although the match between Lens and Tours was played in a snow storm, the weather made no inroads into the French league program.

Home victories kept St. Etienne and Nantes level-pegging at the top of the First Division. St. Etienne made no mistakes against visiting Bastia and scored a 3-1 win, and Nantes outplayed Nice to take both points after a 4-1 victory.

Bordeaux, the only French First Division team to win away from home, beat Laval 2-4 to sustain their challenge on the two leaders and Paris St. Germain moved up into fourth place after hammering Lille 4-1.

On a pitch resembling an ice-skating rink

Lens best succeeded in keeping their balance and scored a 3-1 victory over Tours.

As in neighboring West Germany, snow considerably reduced the league programme in Holland.

Only four first division matches could be played — among them the clash between Feyenoord and Ajax of Amsterdam.

Feyenoord kept up their challenge on league leaders AZ Alkmaar, who were not able to play, with a 4-2 home victory.

In Spain, a 52nd minute goal by Ruben Cano against Saragossa kept Atletico Madrid on top of the first division.

MacDonald wins again

HONOLULU, Dec. 8 (AP) — American Duncan MacDonald won the Honolulu Marathon for the third time Sunday.

MacDonald completed the rain-soaked course in 2 hours, 16 minutes, 55 seconds — 42 seconds over the record set last year by his countryman Dean Matthews, who dropped out at the 17 mile (27.35 km) mark.

Parti Lyons-Catalo (U.S.) won the women's division in a record 2:35:26. It was her third consecutive victory and third consecutive course record.



LEFT HOOK: WBA light heavyweight champion Mustafa Muhammad throws a left hook to the head of challenger Eddie Gregory during a title fight in November. Muhammad scored a third round K.O.

French table-tennis tourney dominated by Chinese squad

PARIS, Dec. 8 (AFP) — China swept the French International Table Tennis Championships which ended here Sunday capturing six titles out of a possible seven and leaving only the men's singles title.

The Chinese squad took an early lead in the tournament by grabbing both men's women's team events Friday.

They continued their clean sweep with wins in the women's doubles and mixed doubles events Saturday, and Sunday clinched a fine performance with victories in the men's and women's singles.

World number-two Guo Yuehua, who took the men's title by crushing his compatriot Huang Liang 21-10, 21-10, 21-14 in the final, received a thunderous ovation at the medals ceremonies.

During the four-day meet, he had not lost a single set.

In his match against Huang, Guo showed more of the dazzling form he has displayed throughout China's three-tournament European tour which began in Yugoslavia and ended Sunday.

In the women's singles final China's Cao Yanhua was matched against two-time world champion Pak Yung-Sun of North Korea.

Not one to be intimidated by Pak's credentials, Cao rapidly took the advantage with a 21-15 first-set win. She lost the second 14-21, took the third 21-16 and saved her best for a fiercely-contested fourth, winning it 21-19.

The men's doubles final saw French champions Jacques Secrétin and Patrick Bouchaud pitted against Chinese-French pair Huang Liang and Christian Martin.

Secrétin and Bouchaud, European doubles champions, battled through five sets to win the match 16-21, 21-18, 12-21, 21-17, 21-19, and saved France's hour before a packed crowd.

Most of the teams competing here will now begin training for the world championships in Yugoslavia next April.

Violence ends soccer games

VALLETTA, Dec. 8 (R) — The ill-fated qualifying match in the World Soccer Cup between Malta and Poland was abandoned Sunday when fans stoned a linesman.

Trouble flared 15 minutes from the end after Yugoslav referee Dusan Maksimovic overruled a linesman who was flagging for offside and allowed Leszek Lipka to put the Poles 2-0 ahead.

Despite fierce protests by Maltese players Maksimovic refused to consult the linesman and fans at one end of the Gzira Stadium began throwing stones.

Play resumed but another hail of stones directed at the linesman forced a stoppage. As stones continued to fly Maksimovic abandoned the match.

He was unable to leave the pitch for more than half an hour as more stones were hurled near the dressing rooms.

This opening tie in European group seven has been plagued by controversy. The two countries were involved in a row because the stadium does not have a grass pitch. The Polish soccer authorities then suspended four of their players after an airport flare-up with manager Ryszard Kulesza as the team were setting off for the match.

Soccer Results

Belgian First Division			
Anderlecht	2	Borussia	1
Ghent	1	Borussia	1
Bruges	1	Westerlo	0
Westerlo	1	Leuven	1
Waregem	1	F.C. Liege	1
Standard Liege	1	Kortrijk	1
SC Bruges	0	Willebroek	1
French First Division			
Sochaux	2	Nimes	1
Metz	2	Nancy	0
Paris St. Germain	4	Lille	1
Auxerre	1	Strasbourg	1
Valenciennes	0	Angers	0
Laval	2	Bordeaux	1
Nantes	4	Nice	1
Lens	3	Tours	0
Saint Etienne	3	Bastia	0
Marseille	2	Lyon	1
Spanish First Division			
Atletico Madrid	0	At. Madrid	1
Real Madrid	2	Salamanca	0
Valencia	1	Barcelona	1
Almeria	0	Hercules	3
At. Bilbao	2	Betis	0
Sevilla	0	Real Sociedad	0
Malaga	1	Las Palmas	2
Espanol	0	Osasuna	0
Spartan Girona	0	Valencia	0
Dutch First Division			
Feyenoord Rotterdam	4	Ajax Amsterdam	2
PSV Eindhoven	0	Sparta Rotterdam	1
NAC Breda	1	Excelsior Rotterdam	0

Beat France 11-3

Kiwis level rugby series

TOULOUSE, Dec. 8 (AFP) — The New Zealand Kiwis ended their two month European tour in the best way possible by defeating France 11-3 to level their two-game test series here Sunday.

The win was doubly sweet for the tourists who felt they had played well below their best in losing the first test 5-6 at Perpignan two weeks ago.

The Kiwis, who also drew their test match series with Britain, began the match in determined fashion and they soon had their reward as the French struggled to settle.

Gary Prohm opened the tourists account after 13 mins when he squeezed his way over in the corner and 12 mins later, Dane O'Hara made it 6-0 with a spectacular individual try.

The big winger collected the ball well into his own half and surged forward chased by three French players. He was eventually tackled five meters short of the line, but touched the ball down as his own propulsion took him over.

The French began the second half in lively fashion as they started to throw the ball around and pinned the Kiwis into their own half.

The pressure paid off two minutes into the

second half when Jean-Marc Bourret, who earlier had missed three penalties sprinted home in the corner following fine work by Grasseque and Sire.

France were well on top at this stage of the game and had several chances to level the scores before New Zealand stunned the 2,000 crowd with a devastating counter-attack in 74 mins.

Gordon Smith rounded off a move started by the New Zealand forwards and carried on by center Whittaker by touching down directly under the posts and then covered to make the final score 11-3.

Langer takes Bogota

BOGOTA, Dec. 8 (AFP) — West German golfer Bernard Langer dared a runaway six-stroke victory in the Bogota Open here Sunday with a 279 stroke scorecard.

Three players shared second place on 285. They were Mike White of the United States, Jaime Gonzalez of Chile and John Morgan of Britain.

One of the pre-tournament favorites, Severiano Ballesteros of Spain finished well down the field in 16th place on 290.

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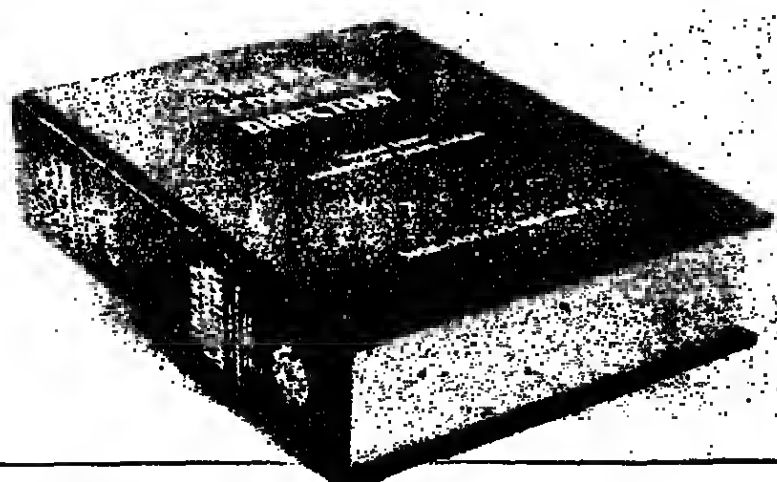
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Czechs capture Davis Cup trophy

PRAGUE, Dec. 8 (AP) — Tennis players Ivan Lendl and Tomas Smid were the toast of Czechoslovakia here when they stepped up to receive the Davis Cup from the President of the International Tennis Federation Philippe Chatrier.

The Czechs are rightly proud of becoming the first East European country to lift the 80-year-old silver platter and they made their feelings clear during an emotional presentation.

Nadig leads skiers

PIEMONTE, Italy, Alps, Dec. 8 (AP) — Switzerland's Marie-Therese Nadig forged an impressive early lead in the Women's Alpine Skiing World Cup by winning Sunday's giant slalom here.

It was the 26-year-old Nadig's second win in the three world cup races completed so far this year after her win in opening downhill and fifth place in the giant slalom, both at Val d'Isere. The overall standing with 86 points, 26 points clear of second placed Irene Epple of West Germany and 44 ahead of one of her main rivals Perrine Pelen of France.

Despite her preference in recent years for the downhill, Nadig has immaculate slalom credentials, having won the giant slalom Olympic gold at Sapporo, Japan, eight years ago when she was only 18 years old.

The handing-over of the trophy was undoubtedly the highlight of a day which saw the anti-climax of the final two reverse singles played over the best of three sets making the final result 4-1 in favor of the Czechs.

Cogjato Barazzutti gave Italy their only win when he fought back from a first set loss to defeat Czech number two Tomas Smid 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Smid, can be pardoned from his defeat after having beaten Italian number one Adriano Panatta over five sets on Friday on which rested the crucial match of this final.

The day ended with Ivan Lendl coasting to a 6-3, 6-3 win over Gianni Odeppo who had stepped in to replace Panatta. Odeppo did succeed in breaking the talented Lendl's serve twice, but he found the world number six was too strong in the service return department to hold out any real hope of creating an upset.

The Czech joy apart, however, the 1980 Davis Cup final will go down in the record books as a bitter and at times unsporting affair.

Blame for the unhappy incidents, which reached their climax in the tense Smid-Panatta clash, has been laid on various shoulders from over-enthusiastic Italian fans, to biased umpires and line judges and from the surly Italian squad to an over-zealous police guard.



Peter John de Savary

America cup challenger financed by Brit banker

LONDON, Dec. 8 — Englishman, Peter John de Savary, a 36-year-old Bahamian based merchant banker, has just announced his intention to provide a British contender for the 1983 America's Cup.

His newly established "Victory" syndicate will work with an initial four million dollar budget, which has received unanimous acclaim from the British sporting press. To add emphasis to the London Daily Mail's comment that de Savary should be congratulated "for putting his money where his mouth is", he has just paid out more than \$550,000 for two of this year's America's Cup challengers, "Lionheart" and "Australia".

Falcons, Cowboys retain playoff berths

With two weeks left in season

By William R. Bernard

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (AP) — The Atlanta Falcons and Dallas Cowboys became the second and third teams to clinch National Football League playoff berths Sunday, and their victories helped deadlock two divisions with two weeks to play in the season.

Tim Mazzetti's 37-yard field goal with seven seconds left gave the Falcons a 20-17 victory over Philadelphia. Atlanta, 11-3 and two games ahead of Los Angeles in the NFC West, recovered from a 14-3 deficit to beat the Eagles, who have lost two straight games to fall to an 11-3 mark and a tie in the NFC East with Dallas.

The Cowboys clinched their 14th playoff berth in 15 years as Rafael Septien kicked a 52-yard field goal and Ron Springs scored a two-yard touchdown in a two-minute span of the second period to defeat Oakland 19-13.

But the Raiders, 9-5, stayed in a tie with San Diego in the AFC West after Washington upset the Chargers 40-17. The Redskins intercepted five passes, three by Joe Laven-der, and Mark Moseley kicked four field goals.

Buffalo quarterback Joe Ferguson hit wide receiver Frank Lewis on a spectacular 30-yard pass play, setting up Nick-Mayer's game-winning 30-yard field goal that beat Los Angeles 10-7 in overtime. The Bills are 10-4 and 1½ games ahead of New England in the AFC East pending the Patriots' Monday night game with Miami, while the Rams are 9-5 and are faced with losing the NFC West



Ron Springs, Dallas Cowboys

title for the first time in eight years.

Minnesota is only 8-6 but still lead, the NFC Central by a game as the Vikings rallied from a 10-0 halftime deficit to beat Tampa Bay 21-10. Tommy Kramer had only 63 yards passing before intermission, but he had 201 in the second half and engineered two long scoring drives.

Detroit fell out of a tie with the Vikings by losing 24-23 to the St. Louis Cardinals when Ron Green returned a punt 57 yards for a

touchdown with 3:40 left.

Quarterback Brian Sipe completed a club-record 30 passes in 41 attempts for 340 yards and a touchdown, a 5-yarder to Greg Pruitt in the fourth quarter, to give Cleveland Browns a 20-17 victory over the New York Jets. The Browns, 10-4, stayed in first place in the AFC Central, a game ahead of Houston, which beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 6-0 last Thursday night.

Vince Evans completed 18 of 22 passes for 316 yards and three touchdowns and Walter Payton scored three TDs to lead the Chicago Bears to a 61-7 thrashing of the Green Bay Packers.

Winless New Orleans had a 35-7 lead, but San Francisco came back to win 38-35 when Ray Werschling kicked a 36-yard field goal with 7:20 left in overtime.

Jim Breach kicked a 21-yard field goal with 12 seconds remaining to foil a brilliant Baltimore comeback attempt and give Cincinnati a 34-33 victory. The Bengals led 31-6 before the Colts scored four touchdowns in the fourth quarter to take a 33-31 lead.

Quarterback Bill Kenney, making his regular-season debut after nearly two seasons in the NFL, threw touchdown passes of 33 and 8 yards to lead Kansas City to a 31-14 victory over Denver.

Billy Taylor scored on a 30-yard run with 1:57 to go to give the New York Giants a 27-21 triumph over Seattle, keeping the Seahawks winless at home this season.

Bullets take Boston Celtics in basketball

HARTFORD, Connecticut, Dec. 8 (AP) — Led by forwards Greg Ballard and Elvin Hayes, the Washington Bullets scored spurts of seven and six points in the fourth quarter to draw away and defeat the Boston Celtics 113-103 in NBA play Sunday night.

In other National Basketball Association games, the San Diego Clippers trimmed the New Jersey Nets 98-95, the Portland Trail Blazers edged the San Antonio Spurs 116-115, the Phoenix Suns defeated the Golden State Warriors 106-88 and the Los Angeles Lakers beat the Utah Jazz 113-100.

Center Swen Nater scored a season-high 30 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead the Clippers to their sixth victory in the last eight starts.

Billy Ray Bates scored 10 of his team high 21 points in the fourth quarter, but it was a 16-footer jumper by Rookie Kelvin Ransey with 36 seconds left that clinched Portland's victory.

Phoenix raised its record to 24-6 behind Len Robinson's 28 points. The Suns led 59-44 at the half and reserve guards Jonny High and Kyle Macy turned back a third-quarter Golden State surge that had closed the margin to six.

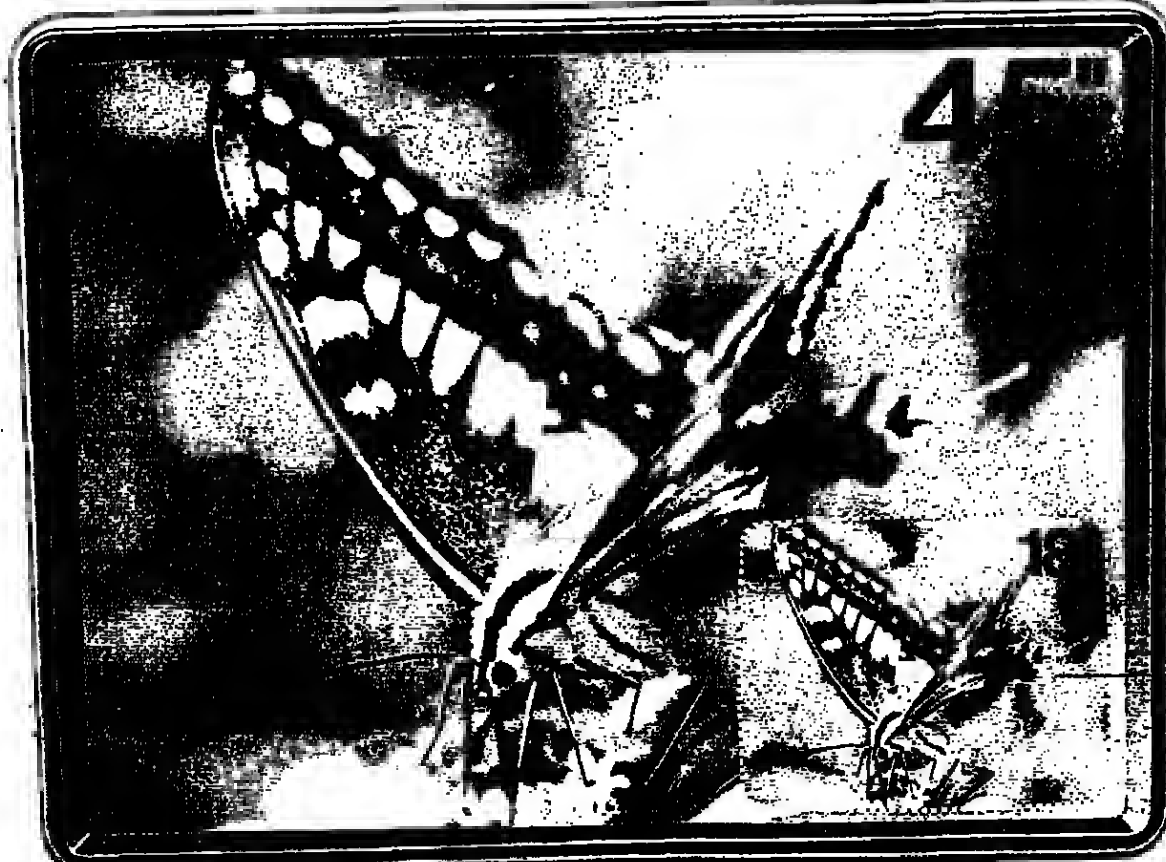


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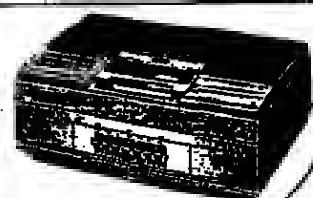
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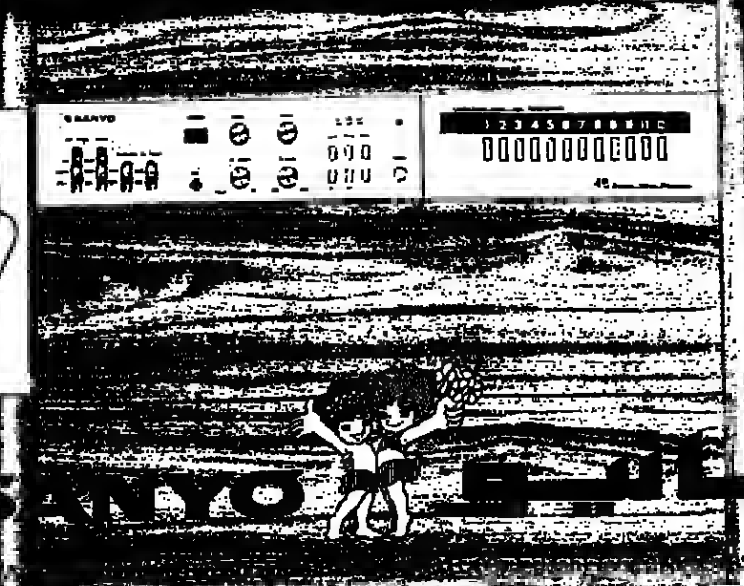
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Anti-Brezhnev rally attacked; 5 injured

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (R) — Five people, including three Afghan women, were injured Monday when police baton-charged a crowd of anti-Soviet protesters as Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev arrived in New Delhi, police reported.

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Police changed the route of Brezhnev's motorcade into the city and he did not see the protest. About 200 people staged a similar demonstration outside the Soviet Embassy later, but there were no further clashes with police as demonstrators burned a picture of Brezhnev.

Swamy, one of five Indian MPs in the protest

Soviets said set to march into Poland

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter conferred Sunday with the National Security Council over the Polish crisis, and a White House official said a Soviet invasion of Poland "could take place because preparations for it are completed."

The White House said in an announcement that Soviet preparations "for possible intervention in Poland" have been concluded.

A senior White House official stepped back from an assertion he made last week that a Soviet invasion of Poland was not imminent. The official stated on Sunday: "As of now, we're not in a position to say whether it is imminent or not. We are in a position to note that it could take place because preparations for it are completed."

"It is our hope that no such intervention will take place," the White House said in a written statement handed to reporters.

The National Security Council meeting lasted one hour and 50 minutes Sunday afternoon. At the end, House and Senate Democratic and Republican officials were called to the White House for a briefing.

On Monday, the Soviet Foreign Ministry declined substantive comment on a White House report that the Soviet Union has completed preparations for possible armed intervention. Asked by a reporter for a comment on the White House statement, a Soviet spokesman said: "Your question has a provocative character and therefore it deserves no comment. As for various American statements, they are fully on the conscience of the American side."

In a new sign of Soviet concern over developments in Poland, the Soviet news agency reported Monday that "counter-revolution" is leading to "further destabilization" in the country.

The Tass news agency dispatch from Warsaw quoted reports there as saying "Counter-revolutionary groups, operating under the cover of local 'Solidarity' sections, are turning to open confrontation with local organizations of the Polish United Workers' Party and with the administration of some enterprises and institutions."

It said, "Facts show that counter-revolution is leading the situation in the country toward further destabilization, toward the aggravation of the political struggle."

The Polish Army daily newspaper Monday issued a stern warning against strikes and "social unrest," hinting the military might be forced to intervene to restore order in the country. *Zolnierz Wolosci* said the Polish Army would always "vigilantly stand on guard of this state built and won under the leadership of our (Communist) party."

In another commentary, the Warsaw daily *Zycie Warszawy* strongly criticized Western news media for speculating about a possible Soviet incursion. "In the last few days, the Western press and radio stations have unleashed a hysterical campaign concerning alleged danger of military interference from outside," the paper said.

Zycie Warszawy said statements made by central committee spokesman Jozef Kasa at a recent news conference "ricocheted" in Western media "in a twisted form."

Tutu wins prize

ATHENS, Dec. 8 (AP) — Bishop Desmond Tutu, secretary general of the South African Council of Churches, and the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources were Monday named as the winners of cash prizes by the Alexander S. Onassis Public Benefit Foundation for 1980.

The foundation, established in memory of the son of shipping magnate, Aristotle Onassis, awarded the Athina prize for 1980 to Bishop Tutu for what it called his leading contribution to the worldwide struggle against racial discrimination and his unflinching courage in expressing the demand for an equal and peaceful co-existence between whites and blacks in South Africa.

est outside the embassy, said, "this country is very unhappy with the Soviet action in Afghanistan."

Brezhnev, who will be 74 this month, is expected during his four-day visit to face some blunt questioning on Afghanistan from Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. It is a position that has become embarrassing for the Indian government at home and abroad.

Soviet sources indicated that Brezhnev would not take the initiative in raising the Afghan issue, but would respond to whatever Mrs. Gandhi had to say. While Mrs. Gandhi, mindful of past Soviet support for India during international crises, has not directly condemned the intervention, she has been hinting that India will go no further towards backing the Soviet position.

Afghanistan has added to Brezhnev's visit the risk of demonstrations against the Soviet intervention. The authorities made a last-minute change to Brezhnev's route from the airport to the presidential palace Monday in order to avoid the crowd of banner-waving Afghan exiles and Indians parading in a fashionable shopping district.

Otherwise, Brezhnev's arrival went without a hitch, though his security men appeared edgy as a crowd of members of parliament, foreign diplomats and other dignitaries surrounded him to shake his hand. Brezhnev has been in poor health for some years, and his decision to make the journey is regarded here as a measure of the importance the Soviet Union attaches to relations with India, its most influential friend among the non-Communist countries of Asia.

But he looked in good form Monday as he inspected a guard of honor. His schedule has been kept as light as possible, with frequent rest periods. His hosts announced that a big olive reception scheduled for Tuesday at the Delhi Red Fort Muslim district had been switched to a smaller, indoor location.

Europe firm on spending

BRUSSELS, Dec. 8 (AP) — European defense and foreign ministers began a week of North Atlantic Treaty Organization meetings Monday determined to make a spirited response to U.S. charges they aren't doing enough for their own defense.

The 11-members of NATO's Eurogroup will be reacting to a strong drive by the administration of U.S. President Jimmy Carter to get Europeans to fulfill a pledge to increase defense spending by 3 per cent a year above inflation.

Serious economic problems in Europe will make it difficult for several governments, including such stalwarts as Britain and West Germany, to fulfill the requirement in budgets now being prepared.

On the eve of his departure for Brussels, U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown asserted, "No American government, and still less the American people or the American congress, are going to accept a situation in which some other country feels that it's our job to defend them and they needn't bother to defend themselves."



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Edgar Tekere

Iranian happy with reply on hostage terms

BEIRUT, Dec. 8 (AP) — The latest clarifications of the U.S. position on Iran's demands for release of the 52 American hostages contain changes favorable to Iran, a leading Iranian official says.

"Totally, I can tell you that there are some changes, favorable changes for us," said Nabavi, head of the Iranian commission studying the case of the hostages, who Monday began their 401st day in captivity.

Iran has demanded the U.S. government return the wealth of the late Shah and his closest relatives, drop lawsuits against Iran, release \$ 8 billion in Iranian assets frozen in U.S. banks and pledge not to interfere in Iran's affairs in exchange for the hostages.

Informed sources said the latest U.S. clarifications contained no objection to the non-interference pledge and unfreezing the assets, and offered assistance in fighting the legal claims against Iran and help in locating the whereabouts of at least some of the Shah's fortune. Nabavi's comments, in an interview Sunday with Greek television in Tehran, represented the first real indication of government reaction to the U.S. clarifications that were requested by Iran last month.

Nabavi said the hostages were in good health and would soon be transferred to the custody of the government by the militants holding the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. But he refused to state their location, saying only they had to be rounded up from several points. The whereabouts of the captives has not been confirmed since the U.S. attempt to rescue them failed in April.

Ayatollah Khomeini meanwhile declared Sunday that both the United States and the Soviet Union want to destroy Iran.

Tekere, bodyguards acquitted

SALISBURY, Dec. 8 (R) — Zimbabwe Manpower Minister Edgar Tekere and seven bodyguards were acquitted Monday of the murder of a white farm manager last August. Jubilant African crowds mobbed the minister and his men after South African-born Judge Pitman announced the verdict, in which, he said, he had been overruled by his two fellow-members of the court.

Tekere and his bodyguards had been accused of the attempted murder of five black soldiers as well as of the murder of Gerald Adams, 68, at Stamford Farm near Salisbury on Aug. 4.

Pitman said the court had ruled that all eight men were protected from prosecution by a white-drafted 1975 law granting immunity to government ministers and their aides acting against terrorism. His own view was that Tekere and one of his bodyguards, Joseph Chakantsa, should be found guilty of murder. But the other court members had overruled him and all eight were acquitted, Pitman said.

The courtroom erupted into applause as the red-robed judge folded his papers and left. Tekere, seemingly overcome with emotion, embraced his wife Anne and members of his family. Hundreds of supporters, giving clenched fist salutes and shouting "Viva ZANU" (the ruling Zimbabwe African National Union), mobbed him before he left by car.

From the upper stories of the court building, white secretaries and officials looked on with expressions of bewilderment that seemed to reflect the unease the verdict is likely to create among the dwindling 200,000 white minority. During the murder trial, Tekere and his men admitted going to Stamford Farm, opening fire on five black soldiers garrisoned there and moving on to the cottage where Adams died. The defense said bodyguard Chakantsa shot Adams in self-defense.

Tekere, 43, had been at a party at Stamford Farm the night before, when a black soldier fired three shots after an argument with a group of bodyguards, the court was told during three weeks of hearings last month. He returned the following day with his seven men, clad in Mozambican military uniforms and carrying assault rifles.

The defense argued that Tekere believed the previous night's shooting constituted an attempt to overthrow the government, an act defined in the 1975 law as terrorism. The minister was therefore acting to suppress terrorism when he returned the following day, the defense said.

Ironically the legislation under which he was acquitted was drawn up by the old white minority authorities to protect themselves in their campaign against black nationalists such as Tekere.

At a press conference immediately after his release, Tekere bitterly attacked Pitman, accusing him of racism. "That which disgusts me is the racial division in the bench, equivocating the law they used to get rid of a lot of our people during the war," he said.

Zimbabwe had a long way to go to achieve justice "as long as we have men on the bench like this," he said in a reference to Pitman. Tekere said he had been completely indifferent to the case. Right to the end, he said, "my fellow comrades and myself were still at a loss to say that we had done wrong."

He described himself as Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's task man, a position that meant he had to be "a bit radical and quite often unconventional."

Marcos to relax martial law before April election

MANILA, Dec. 8 (AP) — President Ferdinand Marcos said in an interview published Monday that he plans to lift martial law before next April's presidential election — the first in 12 years.

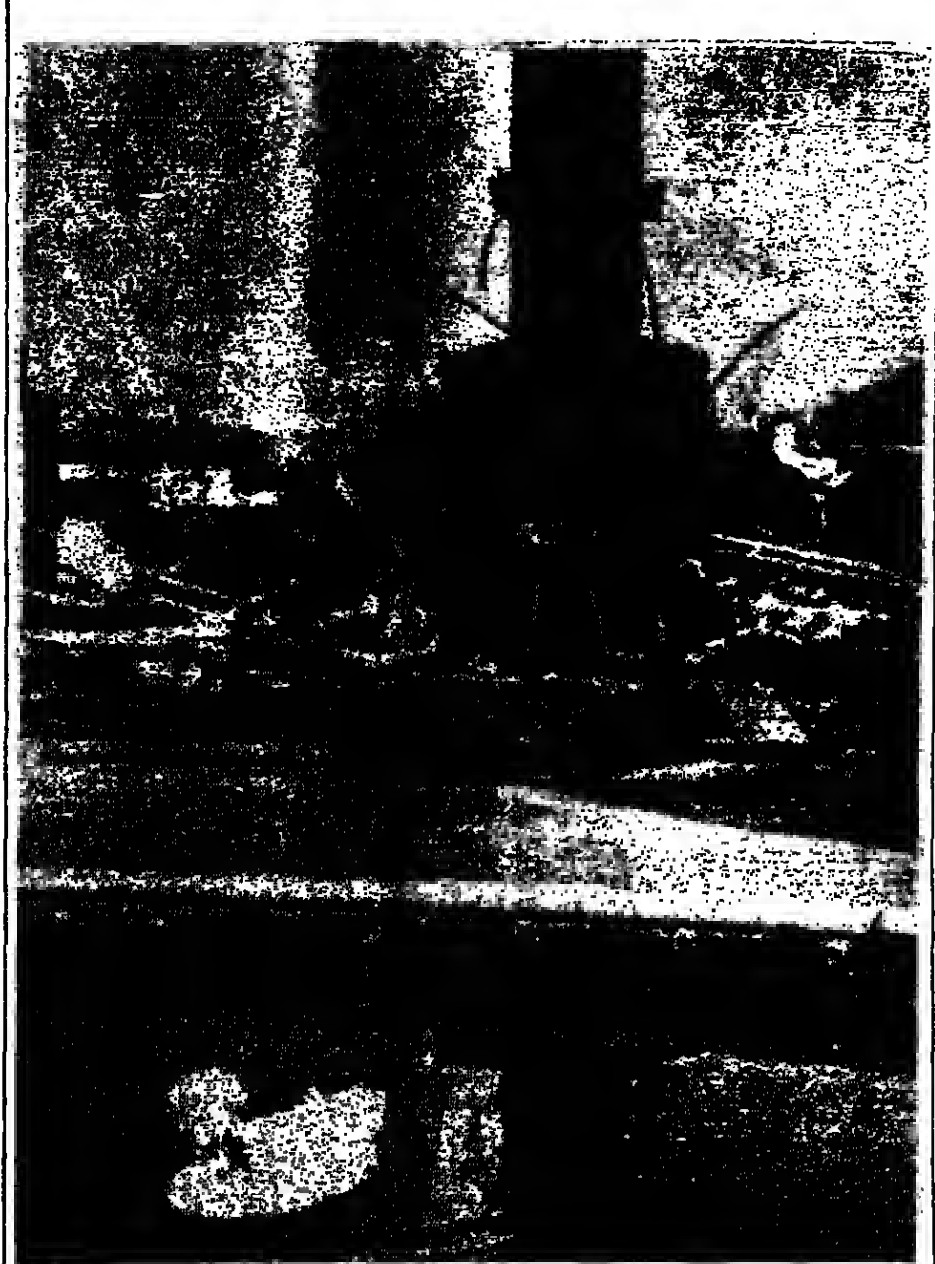
Marcos, in power for 15 years and ruling by decree since proclaiming martial law in 1972, indicated he is amenable to talking with the opposition on its conditions for participating in the election.

Opposition leaders say they will field candidates only if Marcos dismantles martial law, promises that the armed forces will remain neutral, and guarantees the election will be "clean and honest."

"It is a probability that martial law shall have been lifted before the elections," Marcos was quoted as saying in the mountain resort city of Baguio. "I presume the elections will be after March."

Marcos earlier ruled out the participating in the election of U.S.-based Filipino dissidents led by former Senator Benigno Aquino, whom he has linked, he said, to recent terrorist bombings in Manila.

But he hinted in Monday's interview, an identical account of which appeared in three newspapers, that he has not completely closed the door on them. He said dissidents allegedly involved in terrorism will be informed of the "options open to them" if they wish to return "within the pale of the law."



STILL SWIMMING: A duck that survived devastating brushfires around San Bernardino, California, swims in a pool near the ruins of a house. Officials say the fire, probably set by an arsonist, could cost \$44 million.

Dollar, gold mixed

Mideast behind stronger yen

LONDON, Dec. 8 (AP) — The dollar and gold were both mixed in early trading Monday with much interest in world markets centered on heavy buying of the Japanese yen, largely by Middle East operators.

This resulted in the yen firming substantially against the dollar. In Tokyo, where markets shut before those in Europe open, the dollar closed well down at 209.65 yen compared with \$213 at the close Friday.

Tokyo dealers attributed the strength of the yen to a general feeling it has been undervalued of late. In Europe, dealing in the dollar retained its underlying strength due to higher U.S. interest rates. Prime rates of major U.S. banks were set at 19 per cent Friday. A London dealer reported growing

market sentiment that U.S. interest rates have not yet peaked, "hence the dollar is firm and I don't see the market changing substantially."

In London it cost slightly more to buy a British pound — \$ 2.3425 compared with \$2.3393.

European bullion dealers reported mostly quiet trading in gold. They said higher U.S. bank prime rates were bearish for the metal.

In London gold was quoted at \$615.25 an ounce compared with \$614.25 at the close Friday. In Zurich gold was quoted at \$615.50 compared with \$617.50. Silver was lower. In London it was quoted at \$17.50 an ounce compared with \$17.80.

Elephants to 'press' Italy leaders

MONACO, Dec. 8 (AFP) — Italian circus owners have decided to put pressure on the Italian government by blockading all roads into Rome with their trained elephants on Jan. 13.

Edigio Palmieri, president of the Ente Nazionale Circhi (National Association of Italian Circuses), said Monday that the move

was decided at a meeting here of 14 Italian circus owners here Sunday.

"I shall be meeting the minister of tourism and entertainment, Nicola Signorello, in Rome on December 13 regarding our difficulties in touring Italian towns," Palmieri said.

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